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ऋग्वेद संहिता

चतुर्थ मण्डलम्

(१) प्रथमं सूक्तम्

(१-२०) विशन्वृचस्यास्य सूतस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१, १-२०) प्रथमर्चः पशुवादिषश्च-
दशानाआग्निः, (२-१०) द्वितीयाद्विचनमृणाआग्निर्वैष्णो वा देवता । (१) प्रथमर्च अष्टिः, (२) द्विती-
याया अनिजगती, (३) तृतीयाया धृतिः, (४-२०) चतुर्थ्यादिसप्तदशानाश्च विष्टुप छन्दांसि ॥

॥१२॥ त्वां ह्यग्ने सदुमिर्त्समन्वयो देवासो देवमर्गतिं न्येगिरि इति कृत्वा न्येगिरि ।
अमर्त्यं यजत मर्त्येण्वा देवमादेवं जनत प्रचेतसं विश्वमादेवं जनत प्रचेतसम् ॥१॥
स भ्रातरं वरुणमश्न आ ववृत्स्व देवौ अच्छा सुमती यज्ञवन्सं ज्येष्ठं यज्ञवन्सम् ।
ऋतावानमादित्यं चर्षणीधृतं राजानं चर्षणीधृतम् ॥२॥

1.

Tvām hy āgne sādām it samanyāvo devāso devām ara-
tim nyerirā iti krātvā nyeriré | amartyam yajata mārtyeshv
ā devām ādevam janata prācetasam vīśvam ādevam janata
prācetasam || 1 || sá bhrātaram vāraṇam agna ā vavṛitsva
devāñ áchā sumatí yajñāvanasam jyéshtham yajñāvanasam |
ritāvānam ādityām earshanīdhṛitam rájānam earshanīdhṛi-
tam || 2 ||

ṚGVEDA SAMHITĀ

BOOK FOUR

1

O swift moving, radiant, universal fire, the cosmic divine powers ever excite you and urge you with their dedication for manifestation. O adorable, immortal and brilliant, they generate you as an immortal force among mortals, as the all-competent; they generate you as the all-competent and omnipresent Nature's bounty. 1

O universal fire-divine, bring your venerable brotherly associate, the *water-divine*, to the presence of the worshipper. He loves very much to participate in universal cosmic creation, he is true to the established laws, is one of the infinite creative principles, and sustainer, truly a sustainer of men; he is like the sovereign venerated by mankind. 2

सखे सखायमुभ्या ववृत्स्वाशुं न चक्रं रथ्येव रंहास्मभ्यं दस्म रंहा ।
 अग्ने मृळीकं वरुणे सचा विदो मरुत्सु विश्वमानुषु ।
 तोकाय तुजे शुशुचान शं कृष्यस्मभ्यं दस्म शं कृधि ॥३॥
 त्वं नो अग्ने वरुणस्य विद्वान्देवस्य हेळोऽव यासिसीष्टाः ।
 यजिष्ठो वक्षितमः शोशुचानो विश्वा द्वेषांसि प्र सुमुग्ध्यस्वत ॥४॥
 स त्वं नो अग्नेऽवमो भवेती नेदिष्ठो अत्वा उपसो व्युष्ठो ।
 अव यद्व नो वरुणं रराणो विहि मृळीकं सुहवो न एधि ॥५॥

sākhe sakhāyam abhy ā vavṛitsvāśum ná cakram
 rāthyeva rānhyāsmābhyam dasma rānhyā | āgne mṛṇikām
 vāruṇe sācā vido marṛtsu viśvābhānushu | tokāya tujé su-
 śucāna śām kṛidhy asmābhyam dasma śām kṛidhi || 3 ||
 tvām no agne vāruṇasya vidvān devāsya héló 'va yāsisī-
 śthāḥ | yājishtho vābhitamah śośucāno viśvā dvéshānsi
 prá mumugdhy asmát || 4 || sá tvām no agne 'vamó bha-
 votí nédiśtho asyā ushāso vyūstau | āva yakshva no vá-
 ruṇam rāraṇo vihi mṛṇikām suhávo na edhi || 5 ||

॥३॥ अत्र्य श्रेष्ठां सुभगस्य संद्वेदेवस्य चित्रतामा मर्त्येषु ।
 शुचि घृतं न तप्तमघ्न्यायाः स्पार्हा देवस्य मंहनेव धेनोः ॥६॥
 त्रिरस्य ता परमा सन्ति सत्या स्पार्हा देवस्य जनिमान्यग्नेः ।
 अनन्ते अन्तः परिवीत आगाच्छुचिः शुक्रो अर्यो रोरुचानः ॥७॥
 स दूतो विश्वेदुमि वष्टि सद्या होता हिरण्यरथो रंसुजिह्वः ।
 रोहिदश्चो वपुष्यो विभावा सदा रण्वः पितुमतीव संसत् ॥८॥

asyā śrēśthā subhāgasya saundrīg devāsya citratamā
 mārtyeshu | śūci ghṛitām ná taptām āghnyāyā spārḥā de-
 vāsya māñhāneva dhenōḥ || 6 || trir asya tā paramā sanṭi
 satyā spārḥā devāsya jānimāny agnēḥ | ananté antāḥ pári-
 vīta āgāe chūciḥ śukró aryó rōrucānaḥ || 7 || sá dūtó viśvéd
 abhí vashṭi sádmā hótā hīraṇyāratho rámsujihvaḥ | rohīd-
 asvo vapuśhyo vibhāvá sádā raṇvāḥ pitumátiva samsát || 8 ||

O fire-divine, friendly and beautiful, bring hither your brother, water-divine (cosmic water) just as the two strong horses convey the swift chariot along the road to its goal. Along with cosmic water, receive, O universal fire, the gratifying homage, and also along with the all-illuminating divine winds, grant, O fire-divine, happiness to our aspiring children; grant, O beautiful fire-divine, happiness to ourselves. 3

O all-wise fire-divine, avert from us the wrath of the cosmic waters. You are the best invoker, and the most diligent bearer of oblations, the most resplendent; may you liberate us from all animosities. 4

May you, O light-divine, our preserver, be nearest to us with your protection at the breaking of the dawn. May you, reconcile to us the cosmic waters, and propitiated by our praise, cherish our homage, and be swift to respond to our calls. 5

The glance of this auspicious fire-divine, directed towards men, is most excellent, most wonderful, acceptable to all, as the pure warm butter from the milk of the cow acceptable to the divine powers, and as the gift of a milch-cow to a man. 6

These three (divine fire, divine waters, and divine winds) are the supreme, true, most exalted, and eagerly longed for manifestations of the fire-divine. He is revealed in the boundless region, invested with radiance, pure and bright. 7

He, the messenger, the invoker, riding in a golden chariot, with a tongue of flames, frequents all the chambers of worship, drawn by red horse, like rays; he, the resplendent, is always agreeable and is like a dwelling well-supplied with food. 8

स चेतयन्मनुषो यज्ञवन्धुः प्र तं महा रश्नया नयन्ति ।
 स क्षेत्यस्य दुर्यसु सार्धदेवो मर्त्यस्य सधनित्वमाप ॥९॥
 स तू नो अमिनीयतु प्रजानन्नच्छा रत्नं देवमक्तं यदस्य ।
 धिया यद्विधे अमृता अकृष्वन्धोष्पिता जनिता सत्यमुक्षन् ॥१०॥

sá cetayan mánusho yajñābandhuḥ prá táṁ mahyá raśa-
 náyā nayanti | sá kshety asya dúryāsu sáadhan devó már-
 tasya sadhanitvām āpa || 9 || sá tú no agnir nayatu prajā-
 nānn áchā rātnaṁ devābhaktaṁ yád asya | dhiyá yád ví-
 sve amṛitā ákṛiṣvan dyaúsh pitá janitá satyām ukshan
 || 10 ||

॥९॥ स जायत प्रथमः पुत्र्यासु महो बुधे रजसो अस्य योनीं ।
 अपादशीर्षा गुहमानो अन्तायोर्युवानो वृषभस्य नीले ॥११॥
 प्र शर्धं आर्तं प्रथमं विपन्यां कृतस्य योनां वृषभस्य नीले ।
 स्पार्हो युवा वपुष्यो विभावा सप्त प्रियासोऽजनयन्त वृष्णे ॥१२॥
 अस्माकमत्र पितरो मनुष्या अभि प्र सेदुर्कृतमाशुपाणाः ।
 अश्मन्त्रजाः सुदुघा वव्रे अन्तरुदुस्ता आजन्मपसो हुवानाः ॥१३॥
 ते मर्मजत दह्वांसो अष्टिं तदेषामन्ये अभितो वि वौचन् ।
 पृथ्वयन्त्रासो अभि कार्मर्चन्विदन्त ज्योतिश्चकृपन्त धीभिः ॥१४॥

sá jāyata prathamāḥ pastyāsu mahó budhné rájaso asyá
 yónau | apád aṣirshá guhāmāno antāyóyuvāno vṛishabhāsya
 nilé || 11 || prá śardha ārta prathamāṁ vipanyāṁ ṛitāsya yonā
 vṛishabhāsya nilé | spārḥó yúvā vapuśhyó vibhāvā sapta
 priyāso 'janayanta vṛishṇe || 12 || asmákam átra pitáro ma-
 nushyā abhí prá sedur ṛitām āsushānāḥ | āṣmavrajāḥ sudú-
 ghā vavré antár úd usrá ājann ushāso huvānāḥ || 13 || té
 marmṛijata dadṛivāṁso ádriṁ tād eshām anyé abhíto ví vo-
 can | pasváyantrāso abhí kārām arean vidānta jyótiṣ cakṛi-
 pānta dhibhíḥ || 14 ||

As a lover of worship, he knows those people, who bind and take him with the strong cord of praise. He, the divine fire, fulfilling all desires, abides in the homes of mortal devotees and wins a partnership in his possessions. 9

May that fire divine conduct us to that precious treasure, coveted by the devout worshippers. He is the one, whom all the immortals manifest for the performance of sacred rites, of whom heaven is the prime abode and revealer, and on whom the priests sprinkle loving oblations. 10

He is the first in rank and engendered in the habitations; he is revealed at great heaven's base and in this region's bosom. He is without feet, and without head, and conceals his extremities, combining in the lair of the rain-clouds. 11

Glorified by praise, he first rises aloft, defiant, in the womb of cosmic waters, in the lair of the rain-clouds. The seven dear priests (rays) engender the fire-divine, who is the showerer of benefits, desirable, ever-young, beautiful in form and resplendent. 12

In this world, our mortal forefathers, in the course of their search for eternal truth found the universal fire-divine; then calling upon the dawn of wisdom, they extricated the cows of knowledge which remained concealed among rocks in the dark caverns. 13

Rending the rocks they further cleared out the way; others around also reported their findings. Fully prepared for the extrication of the cattle, they sang their songs and found the light and with wisdom they planned out the course of action. 14

ते गव्यता मनसा दृध्रमुव्यं गा यमानं परि पन्तमद्रिम् ।
दृढं नरो वचसा देव्येन व्रजं गोमन्तमुशिजो वि वव्रुः ॥१५॥

té gavyatā mānasā dṛidhrām ubdhām
gā yemānām pāri shāntam ādrim | dṛiḥhām nāro vāeasā
daivyaena vrajām gōmantam usijo vī vavruḥ || 15 ||

॥१५॥ ते मन्वत प्रथमं नाम धेनोस्त्रिः सप्त मातुः परमाणि विन्दन् ।
तजानतीरभ्यनृपत् त्रा आविर्भुवदरुणीर्षशसा गोः ॥१६॥
नेशत्तमो दुधितं रोचत योरुहेव्या उपसो भानुरर्त ।
आ सूर्यो वृहत्सितिष्ठद्व्रौ ऋजु मर्तेषु वृजिना च पश्यन् ॥१७॥
आदित्यश्चा बुबुधाना व्यख्यन्नादिद्रवौ धारयन्त युभक्तम् ।
विश्वे विश्वासु दुर्वासु देवा मित्र धिये वरुण सत्यमस्तु ॥१८॥
अच्छा वोचेय शुशुचानमग्निं होतारं विश्वभरसुं यजिष्ठम् ।
शुच्युधो अतृणन्न गवामन्धो न पूतं परिषिक्तमंशोः ॥१९॥
विश्वेषामदितिर्यज्ञियानां विश्वेषामतिथिर्मानुषाणाम् ।
अग्निर्देवानामव आवृणानः समृच्छिको भवतु जातवेदाः ॥२०॥

té manvata prathamām nāma dhenós triḥ sapta mātūḥ
paramāṇi vindan | tāj jānatīr abhy ānūshata vrā āvir bhu-
vad aruṇīr yaśāsā gōḥ || 16 || neṣat tāmo dūdhitam rōcata
dyaūr ūd devyā ushāso bhānūr arta | ā sūryo bṛihatās ti-
shṭhad ājṛāṇ riju mārteshu vṛijina ca pāsyann || 17 || ād it
paścā bubudhānā vy ākhyann ād id rātnam dhārayanta
dyūbhaktam | viṣve viśvāsu dūryāsu devā mitra dhiyé va-
ruṇa satyām astu || 18 || āchā voceya śuśucānām agnīm hō-
tāram viśvābharasam yājishṭham | śūcy ūdho aṭṛiṇan nā
gāvām āndho nā pūtām pārishiktam anśōḥ || 19 || viśveshām
ādītir yājñīyānām viśveshām ātithir mānushāṇām | agnīr
devānām āva āvṛiṇānāḥ samṛiḥlikó bhavatu jātāvedāḥ
|| 20 ||

Devoted to their leader, the fire-divine, these people, with minds intent upon restoring cattle, broke open, with divine wisdom, the enclosing obstructions, consisting of solid mountains confining cows, — the stable full of cattle. 15

They first have comprehended the name of the milch-cow (the divine speech). They found the mother's three sets of seven noblest terms (21 metres of the Vedas). Then they glorified the conscious dawns (divine light), and the purple dawn appeared with the radiance of the effulgent sun. 16

The diffused darkness receded; the firmament glowed with radiance, the lustre of the divine dawn arose and then the sun ascended above the wide expanses, beholding deeds of men, good and evil. 17

Thereupon awakening, the enlightened devotees obtain celestial treasures of knowledge, and thereon the universal godly men assemble in the congregation. O Lord of cosmic light and intelligence, may the aspirations and efforts of your worshippers be effective and fruitful. 18

May I now glorify the present radiant fire-divine, the invoker of Nature's bounties, the supporter of the universe, and most adorable, though the udder of the cow has not been milked, nor the sanctified and strained libation drawn up by the sun. 19

The universal fire-divine is the mother of all those divine powers, to whom the worship is offered. May He be dear like a guest to all men. Receiving the offered homage, may He, the knower of all that is born, be gracious to us. 20

(२) द्वितीयं सूक्तम्

(१-२०) विष्णुचर्म्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । भूमिर्देवता । विष्णु उन्दः ॥

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यो मर्त्येष्वमृतं कृतावां देवो देवेष्वरतिर्निधायि ।
 होता यजिष्ठा मन्त्रा शुचिर्धै हव्यैरभिर्मनुष ईर्यध्वै ॥१॥
 इह त्वं सूनो सहसो नो अद्य जातो जातोऽनुभवी अन्तर्भे ।
 दूत ईयसे युयुजान ऋष्य ऋजुमुष्कान्वृषणः शुक्रांश्च ॥२॥
 अत्या वृधश्च रोहिता घृतश्च कृतस्त्व मन्ये मनसा जविष्ठा ।
 अन्तरीयसे अरुषा युजानो युष्मांश्च देवान्विश आ च मतीन् ॥३॥

2.

Yó mártYEShV amṛita ṛitāvā devó devéshV aratír ni-
 dbáyī | hótā yájishtho mahná śucádhyai havyaír agnír má-
 nusha írayádhyai || 1 || ihā tvám sūno sahaso no adyá jātó
 jātāñ ubháyāñ antár agne | dūtā iyase yuyujāná ṛishva ṛi-
 jumushkán ṛishanaḥ śukráñś ca || 2 || átyā vṛidhasnū ró-
 hitā ghṛitāsnū ṛitāsya manye mánasā jávishthā | antár iyase
 arushá yujānó yushmāñś ca devān víśa á ca mártān || 3 ||

अर्यमणं वरुणं मित्रमेषामिन्द्राविष्णू मरुतो अश्विनोत् ।
 स्वश्वो अग्ने सुरथः सुराधा एदु वह सुहविषे जनाय ॥४॥
 गोमाँ अग्नेऽविमोँ अश्वी यज्ञो नृवत्सखा सदमिदं प्रमृष्यः ।
 इळावाँ एषो असुर प्रजावन्दीर्घो रयिः पृथुवृधः सुभावान् ॥५॥

aryamāṇam vāruṇam mitráṁ eshām índrāvishṇū marúto
 asvínotá | svásvo agne suráthah surádhiā éd u vaha suha-
 víshe jānāya || 4 || gómāñ agné 'vimāñ asví yajñó nṛvátśa-
 khā sādani íd apramṛishyāḥ | ślāvāñ eshó asura rajāvān
 dīrghó rayib prithubudhiñ sabhāvān || 5 ||

He, the fire-divine, has been installed immortal among the mortals, the observer of truth, the invoker of natural powers and triumphant among them, the most diligent. He has been placed upon the altar to brighten the ceremony by his lustre, and for the elevation of mankind through oblations in celestial regions. 1

O divine fire, embodiment of strength, kindled today at this place of worship, and invoker of Nature's bounties, may you fair as an intermediate envoy between both (Nature's forces and men), harnessing your vigorous, robust and resplendent flames. 2

I acknowledge with reverence the reddish, prosperity-bestowing, water-shedding and swifter-than-mind-moving, steeds (radiant beams), of Lord, the Truth. Yoking the brilliant pair, you pass between the celestial divine forces of yours and the human beings. 3

Possessed of brilliant flames, an excellent chariot and abundant nourishment, O fire-divine, may you bring the blessings of the cosmic all-pervading powers of light, life, waters, law and order, winds, twin-divines among these worshippers for the benefit of mankind. 4

O mighty fire-divine, may our benevolent actions, celebrated by your worshipper and instituted by the priests be productive of cows, sheep and horses and remain ever uninterrupted. May it grant wisdom, progeny, long continued and broad-based affluence, and social status. 5

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यस्त इध्मं जुभरत्सिष्विदानो मूर्धानं वा ततर्पते त्वाया ।
 भुवस्तस्य स्वर्तवाँः पायुरग्ने विश्वस्मात्सीमघायत उरुष्य ॥६॥
 यस्ते भगादन्नियते चिदन्नं निशिषन्मन्द्रमर्तिथिमुदीरत ।
 आ देवयुरिनर्धते दुरोणे तस्मिन्नयिर्ध्रुवो अस्तु दास्वान् ॥७॥
 यस्त्वा दोषा य उपसि प्रशंसान्प्रियं वा त्वा कृणवते हविष्मान् ।
 अश्वो न स्वे दम् आ हेम्यावान्तमंहसः पीपरो दाश्वान्सम् ॥८॥
 यस्तुभ्यमग्ने अमृताय दाशदुवस्त्वे कृणवते यतस्त्रुक् ।
 न स राया शशमानो वि यौषधैर्नमंहः परि वरदघायोः ॥९॥
 यस्य त्वमग्ने अध्वरं जुजोषो देवो मर्तस्य सुधितं रराणः ।
 प्रीतिदसद्धोत्रा सा यविष्ठासाम् यस्य विधतो वृधासः ॥१०॥

yás ta idhmám jabhárat sishvidāno mūrdhānam vā ta-
 tāpate tvāyā | bhúvas tāsya svátavāñh pāyúr agne víśva-
 smāt sīm aghāyatá urushya || 6 || yás te bhárād ánniyate
 cid ánnam niśishan mandráṁ átithim udírat | á devayúr
 inádbhate duronē tásmin rayír dhruvó astu dāsvān || 7 || yás
 tvā doshā yá ushási prasānsāt priyám vā tvā kṛṇávate
 havishmān | asvo ná své dáma á hemyāvān tám áñhasaḥ
 pīparo dāśvānsam || 8 || yás túbhyam agne amṛtāya dāśad
 dúvas tvé kṛṇávate yatásruk | ná sá rāyā śaśamāno vi yo-
 shan nānam áñhaḥ pári varad aghāyóḥ || 9 || yásya tvám
 agne adhvarám jújosh devó mártasya súdhitam rārāṇaḥ |
 prītéd asad dhótrā sá yavishthāsāma yásya vidható vṛidhā-
 saḥ || 10 ||

॥१८॥

चित्तिमचित्तिं चिनवद्भि विद्वान्पृष्ठेव वीता वृजिना च मर्तान् ।
 राये च नः स्वपत्याय देव दितिं च रास्वादितिमुरुष्य ॥११॥

cittim ácittim cinavad ví vidvān prishthéva vitá vṛi-
 jiná ca mártān | rāyé ca naḥ svapatyāya deva dītim ca
 rāśvāditim urushya || 11 ||

O fire-divine, may you be the munificent recompenser of the person, who, sweating with toil, brings you fuel, and in your service exhausts out himself to full capacity and may you protect him from every one that seeks to do him evil. 6

May the worshipper, who, desirous of food, presents reverential homage and constantly offers sweet devotional prayers to you, and also who welcomes you as a guest and devoutly kindles you in his home, be blessed with a son, firm in devotion and liberal in offerings. 7

May you, fire-divine, as if a horse with golden caparisons rescue from evils the bounteous worshipper, who glorifies you morning and evening, and, presenting homage, does what is acceptable to you in his own home. 8

O immortal fire-divine, let not the one, who is dedicated and serves you with repeated praises and who pours out butter with uplifted ladle, be devoid of wealth and let not the wickedness of a malevolent overwhelm him. 9

O fire-divine, gracious and youngest amongst the divines, may that prayer be agreeable to you, which is uttered by the man, with whose well-conducted worships you are well-pleased, and may we be the promoters of the worshipper when he adores you. 10

The all-wise Lord discriminates between virtue and vice, straight between man and man like the groom distinguishing between sturdy and weak backs of horses. O Lord, enrich us with wealth and virtuous children; may you award us the ephemeral wealth, and also protect the non-ephemeral one. 11

कविं शशासुः कवयोऽदब्धा निधारयन्तो दुर्यास्वायोः ।
 अतस्त्वं दृश्यीं अग्न एतान्पद्भिः पश्येरद्धतां अर्य एवैः ॥१२॥
 त्वमग्ने वाघते सुप्रणीतिः सुतसोमाय विधते यविष्ठ ।
 रत्नं भर शशमानाय घृष्वे पृथु भ्रन्दमवसे चर्षणिप्राः ॥१३॥
 अघां ह यद्वयमग्ने त्वाया पद्भिर्हस्तेभिश्चक्रमा तनूभिः ।
 रथं न क्रन्तो अपसा भुरिजोऽर्कितं येमुः सुध्य आशुषाणाः ॥१४॥
 अघां मातुरुषसः सप्त विप्रा जायेमहि प्रथमा वेधसो नृन ।
 दिवस्पुत्रा अङ्गिरसो भवेमाद्रि रुजेम धनिन शुचन्तः ॥१५॥

kavīm śaśāsuḥ kavāyo 'dabdhā
 nidhārayanto dūryāsv āyōḥ | ātas tvām drīṣyāñ agna etān
 padbhiḥ paśyer ādbhutāñ arya évaiḥ || 12 || tvām agne vā-
 ghāte supránjītiḥ sutāsomāya vidhaté yavisbtha | rātnam
 bhara śaśamānāya ghṛishve prithū ścandrām āvase carsha-
 ṇipráḥ || 13 || ādhā ha yád vayām agne tvāyā padbhir há-
 stebhiḥ cakṛimā tanúbhiḥ | rátham ná krānto ápasā bhurí-
 jor řitām yemuḥ sudhya āśushāñāḥ || 14 || ādhā mātúr ushā-
 saḥ saptá viprá jáyemahi prathamá vedhāso nṛin | divás
 putrá āṅgirasas bhavemādrin rujema dhanīnam śucāntaḥ
 || 15 ||

॥१२॥ अघा यथा नः पितरः परासः प्रजासो अग्न क्रतुमाशुषाणाः ।
 शुचीदयन्दीधितिमुक्थशासः क्षामा भिन्दन्तो अरुणीरपं वन ॥१२॥
 सुकर्माणः सुरुचो देवयन्तोऽप्यो न देवा जनिमा धमन्तः ।
 शुचन्तो अग्निं ववृधन्त इन्द्रमुर्वं गव्यं परिषदन्तो अग्नम् ॥१३॥

ādhā yāthā naḥ pitārah pārāsah pratnāso agna řitām
 āśushāñāḥ | śucīd ayan dídhitim ukthasāsah kshāmā bhin-
 dānto aruñir āpa vran || 16 || sukārmanah surūco devayānto
 'yo ná devā jānimā dhāmantah | śucānto agnīm vavri-
 dhānta indram ūrvām gāvyaṁ parishādanto agman || 17 ||

O fire-divine, the unreviled wise persons always welcome with reverence wise men in their homes. May you also proceed with rapid footsteps to meet and bless these remarkable and marvellous men of wisdom. 12

Resplendent and ever youthful fire-divine, you are the satisfier of the wishes of men, and giver of good guidance to the participants, who serve you with loving devotion. May you bestow joy-yielding and abundant wealth for the preservation of the participant, who praises and worships you with full dedication. 13

O fire-divine, we churn you, the eternal truth, out with hands and feet, and all our members, the pious experts of the technique, exercise their arms in the work of attrition just as those who fabricate laboriously a car. 14

May we, the seven divine sons, first in order, become the wise fire technicians, and engender as if from the dawn the front rank people, and being well-versed, break open rocks. 15

Thus, O adorable Lord, our virtuous and ancient forefathers, institutors of holy rites based on immortal truths, attain pure light, and reciting sacred hymns and dispersing gloom make purple dawns manifest. 16

Performers of benevolent works, brilliant and aspirants of divinity, make their life free from impurity, as a smith heats iron. Enkindling the fire-divine, and exalting the resplendent Lord, and wandering about in search, they reach the vast mystic source of wisdom and speech. 17

आ युधेव धुमन्ति पश्वो अरुवदेवानां यजन्निमान्युग्र ।
 मतीनां चिदुर्वशीरकृप्रन्वधे चिदुयं उपरस्यायोः ॥१८॥
 अकर्म ते स्वपसो अभूम ऋतमवसन्नपसो विभातीः ।
 अनूनमग्निं पुरुधा सुक्ष्मन्दं देवस्य मर्यजतश्चाह चक्षुः ॥१९॥
 एता ते अग्न उचर्यानि वेधोऽवोचाम कवये ता जुषस्व ।
 उच्छोचस्व कृणुहि वस्यसो नो महो रायः पुस्वार प्र यन्धि ॥२०॥

ā yūthéva kshumāti paśvō akhyad devānām yāj jānimānty
 ugra | mātānām cid urvāsīr akṛipran vṛidhē cid aryā ūpa-
 rasyāyōḥ ॥ 18 ॥ ākarma te svāpaso abhūma ṛitām avasrann
 ushāso vibhātīḥ | ānūnam agnīm purudhā suṣcandram de-
 vāsya mārmaṛijataṣ cāru cākshuḥ ॥ 19 ॥ etā te agna ucā-
 thāni vedhō 'vocāma kavāye tā jushasva | ūc chocasva kṛi-
 nuhī vāsyaso no mahō rāyāḥ puruvāra prā yandhi ॥ 20 ॥

(३) तृतीयं सूक्तम्

(१-१६) वोढनर्पस्याग्न्यं सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१) प्रथमर्षोऽग्नी ऋद्धो वा ।

(२-१६) द्वितीयादिपञ्चदशानां आग्निर्देवता । त्रिदुष्यं छन्दः ॥

॥२०॥ आ वो राजानमध्वरस्य रुद्रं होतारं सत्ययजं रोदस्योः ।
 अग्निं पुरा तनयित्नोरचित्ताद्विरण्यरूपमवसे कृणुध्वम् ॥१॥
 अयं योनिश्चक्रुमा यं वयं ते जायेव पत्य उशती सुवासीः ।
 अर्वाचीनः परिवीतो नि र्वदिमा उ ते स्वपाक प्रतीचीः ॥२॥

3.

A vo rájānam adhvarāsya rudrām hótāram satyayājām
 ródasyoh | agnīm purā tanayitnór acittād dhíranyarūpam
 āvase kṛiṇudhvam ॥ 1 ॥ ayām yóniṣ cakṛimā yām vayām
 te jāyéva pátya usatī suvāsāḥ | arvācīmāḥ párivīto ní shī-
 demā u te svapāka pratīcīḥ ॥ 2 ॥

O the powerful fire-divine, the self proclaims the near presence of the mystic source of wisdom, as the herd of cattle in a food-full pasture, and the enlightened participants then plan out the details of attaining this widely-loved wisdom, and having attained it, the master of the family is rendered competent to provide for the increase of posterity and the support of dependents. 18

We have worked for you, O fire-universal; we have nobly laboured; the bright dawns have shed their lustre upon our worship—adding the beauty to the perfect fire-divine, and God's bounteous eye, the Sun, that shines for ever. 19

O all-wise creator, fire-divine, we have repeated these praises to you; may you accept them. May you blaze aloft; make us epulent; may you, being glorified by all, bestow upon us ample wealth. 20

3

Before the thunder lightning strikes and lays you senseless, O devotees, for your protection, may you kindle fire-divine, who is presiding Lord of worship, the invoker, the afflicter of adversaries, the institutor of sacrificial cosmic order between the earth and heaven, and the one invested with golden colours. 1

This is the altar, which we have decorated for you, as a wife attached to her husband puts on elegant garments. O accomplisher of good works, may you, sit down in our presence, invested with radiance, while these flames incline towards you. 2

आभृष्वते अदृपिताय मनम नृचक्षसे सुमृञ्जीकाय वेधः ।
 देवाय शस्तिममृताय शंस प्रावेव सोता मधुषुयमीळे ॥३॥
 त्वं चिन्नः शम्या अग्ने अस्या ऋतस्य बोध्यतचित्स्वाधीः ।
 कदा ते उक्था सधमाद्यानि कदा भवन्ति सुख्या गृहे ते ॥४॥
 कथा ह तद्वरुणाय त्वमग्ने कथा दिवे गर्हसे कन्न आगः ।
 कथा मित्राय मीळहुषे पृथिव्ये ब्रवः कदम्बे कद्गमाय ॥५॥

āsrinvaté ādripitāya mānma
 nṛicākshase sumṛilīkāya vedhaḥ | devāya śastīm amṛi-
 tāya śansa grāveva sōtā madhusūyāmīḷe || 3 || tvām
 cin naḥ śamyā agne asyā ṛitasya bodhy ṛitacit svādhīḥ |
 kadā ta ukthā sadhamādyāni kadā bhavanti sakhyā gṛihé
 te || 4 || kathā ha tād vāruṇāya tvām agne kathā divé gar-
 hase kán na ágaḥ | kathā mitráya mīḷhúshe pṛithivyai
 brávaḥ kád aryamné kád bhágāya || 5 ||

॥२६॥ कद्विष्ण्यामु वृधसानो अग्ने कदाताय प्रतवसे शुभये ।
 परिज्मने नासत्याय क्षे ब्रवः कदम्बे रुद्राय नृम्बे ॥६॥
 कथा महे पुष्टिभराय पूष्णे कद्रुद्राय सुमखाय हविर्दे ।
 कद्विष्णाव उरुगायाय रेतो ब्रवः कदम्बे शरवि बृहत्ये ॥७॥
 कथा शर्धाय मरुतामृताय कथा सुरे बृहते पृच्छवमानः ।
 प्रति ब्रवोऽदितये तुराय साधा दिवो जातवेदभक्तिवान् ॥८॥

kád dbīshnyāsu vṛidhasānó agne kád vātāya prátavase
 śubhamyé | párijmane nāsatyāya kshé brávaḥ kád agne ru-
 drāya nṛighné || 6 || kathā mahé pusṭṭimbharāya pūshné
 kád rudrāya sūmakhāya havirdé | kád víshṇava urugāyāya
 réto brávaḥ kád agne śārave bṛihatyaí || 7 || kathā śārdhāya
 marūtām ṛitāya kathā sūré bṛihaté pṛichyāmānaḥ | prāti
 bravó 'ditaye turāya sādha divó jātavedaḥ ekitván || 8 ||

Repeat, O priest, the praise, the prayer, to the attentive and affable fire-divine, to the perceiver of mankind, the giver of felicity, to the divine, the immortal; to him the worshipper, while offering homage, like the stone pressing the juice repeatedly sings in a loud voice. 3

May you, fire-divine, the cognizant of truth, the author of good works, be responsive to our adoration. When shall your exhilarating hymns be chanted? When shall our friendship with you be established in our heart and home? 4

O the glorious one like fire, why this complaint to virtuous, and why to the enlightened? What is our offence? Why repeat it to the bountiful friend, to the mother earth, to the ordainers or to the gracious? 5

Why repeat it when exalted in holy ceremonies? Why tell it to the mighty, benevolent, circumambient truthful wind? Why, O the glorious one like fire, to the earth? Why to the afflicter, destroyer of men? 6

Why to the great and nutriment-conveying sustainer? Why to the afflicter, the object of worship and the giver of oblations? Why to the many-hymned protector? Why tell our sin to the mighty destructive forces? 7

Why tell it to the veracious vital principles? Why, even when asked, to the mighty sun? Why repeat it to eternity or to the swift wind? May you, cognizant of all that exists fulfil your divine responsibility. 8

ऋतेन ऋते नियतमीळ आ गोरामा सचा मधुमत्पक्रमे ।
 कृष्णा सती रसाता धासिनेषा जामर्येण पर्यसा पीपाय ॥९॥
 ऋतेन हि ष्मा वृषभक्षिवृक्तः पुनीं अग्निः पर्यसा पृष्ठोन ।
 अस्पन्दमानो अचरहयोधा वृषां शुक्रं दुदुहे पृश्निरुधः ॥१०॥

ṛitēna ṛitām niyatam īla ā gōr āmā sācā mādhumat pakvām
 agne | kṛishṇā satī rāsatā dhāsinaishā jāmaryeṇa pāyasa
 pipāya || 9 || ṛitēna hī śhmā vṛishabhaḥ cid aktāḥ pūmān
 agniḥ pāyasā prishthyēna | āspandamāno acarad vayodhā
 vṛishā śukrām duduhe prīsnir ūdhaḥ || 10 ||

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ऋतेनाद्रिं व्यसन्भिदन्तः समद्विरसो नवन्त गोभिः ।
 शुनं भरः परि पदक्षुपासमाविः स्वरभवजाते अग्नी ॥९॥
 ऋतेन देवीरमृता अमृक्ता अर्णीभिरापो मधुमद्विरभे ।
 वाजी न सर्गेषु प्रस्तुभानः प्र सदमित्त्वधितवे दधन्तुः ॥१२॥
 मा कस्य युक्षं सदमिदुरो गा मा वेशस्य प्रमिनतो मापेः ।
 मा भ्रातुरभे अर्जुजोर्कृष्णं वेर्मा सख्युर्दक्षं रिपोर्भुजेम ॥१३॥
 रक्षां णो अग्ने तव रक्षणेभी रारक्षणः सुमख प्रीणानः ।
 प्रतिष्कुर वि रज वीद्वहे जहि रक्षो महि चिदावृधानम् ॥१४॥

ṛiténādrim vy āsan bhidántaḥ sām āṅgirasō navanta
 góbhiḥ | ṣunām nāraḥ pāri shadann ushāsam āviḥ svār
 abhavaj jātē agnau || 11 || ṛitēna devīr amṛitā amṛiktā ar-
 nobhir āpo mādhumadbhir agne | vājī nā sārgeshu prastu-
 bhānāḥ prā sādām it srāvitave dadhanyuḥ || 12 || mā kāsya
 yakshām sādām id dhurō gā mā veśāsya praminatō mā-
 pēḥ | mā bhrātur agne āṅrijor ṛiṇām ver mā sākhyur dā-
 ksham ripōr bhujema || 13 || rākshā nō agne tāva rākshaṇe
 bhī rārakshānāḥ sumakha prīṇānāḥ | prāti shphura vi ruja
 vīdy ānho jahī rāksho māhi cid vāvṛidhānām || 14 ||

I solicit, O divine fire, the truth of the speech sustained by the natural law itself, though immature she possesses the sweetness of the ripe. Like a cow, black may she be, yet with her bright nutritious milk, she maintains mankind in existence. 9

The powerful fire-divine, the showerer of benefits, is kindled by the genuine sustaining milk; the giver of strength proceeds unswerving from his course, and the sun, the shedder of rain, draws the cosmic vapours from the udder of the firmament. 10

By the force of natural laws, the fire priests, rending the mountain assunder, throw it open, and restore the lost wisdom. The leaders arrive happily at the dawn and soon after the sun manifests as the fire ritual is lighted. 11

By the force of eternal truth, O fire-divine, the divine channels, immortal, unobstructed, continue to flow perpetually with sweet waters, like a horse, that is being urged in his speed. 12

Go not ever, fire-divine, to the invitation of any one who harms us, nor to that of a malevolent neighbour; nor to unworthy kinsman. Accept not the dues from an insincere brother. Let us not rely on the might of a crooked friend or a deceptive foe 13

O earnestly honoured, fire-divine, ever-guarding, propitiated by our offerings, keep us safe with your protective power; enlighten us and entirely extirpate our sins. May you destroy the wicked when he waxes mighty. 14

पुभिर्भव सुमना अग्ने अर्केरिमान्स्पृश मनमभिः शूर वाजान् ।
 उत ब्रह्मण्यङ्गिरो जुषस्व सं ते श्रुतिर्देववाना जरेत ॥१५॥
 प्रता विश्वा विदुषे तुभ्यं वेधो नीथान्यग्ने निष्पावचोसि ।
 निवचना कवये काव्यान्यङ्गोसिषं मतिभिर्विप्र उक्थैः ॥१६॥

ebhír

bhava sumánā agne arkaír imán sprīṣa mánmabliḥ śūra
 vājān | utá bráhmāny āngiro jushasva sám te śastír devá-
 vātā jareta ॥ 15 ॥ etá víṣyā vidúshe túbhyam vedho nīthāny
 agne ni . yā vácānsi | nivācanā kavāye kāvyaṇy āṣaṇsisham
 matśbhir vípra ukthaiḥ ॥ 16 ॥

(४) चतुर्थ सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशर्चन्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । रक्षोहान्निर्देवता । विष्णु उन्मः ॥

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कृणुष्व पाजः प्रसितिं न पृथ्वीं याहि राजेवामवाँ इमेन ।
 तृष्वीमनु प्रसितिं द्रूणानोऽस्तासि विध्यं रक्षस्तपिष्ठैः ॥१॥
 तव भ्रमासं आशुया पतन्त्यनु स्पृश धृपता शोशुचानः ।
 तपूष्यग्ने जुह्वा पतङ्गानसंदितो वि सृज विष्वगुल्काः ॥२॥
 प्रति स्पृशो वि सृज तूणितमो भवो पायुर्विशो अस्या अदब्धः ।
 यो नो दूरे अघांसो यो अन्त्यग्ने माकिष्टे व्यथिरा दधर्षीत् ॥३॥

4.

Kṛiṇushvá pájah prásitim ná prithvīm yāhí rájevāma
 vāñ íbhena | trishvīm ánu prásitim drūṇānó 'stāsi vídhya
 rakshásas tápishṭhaiḥ ॥ 1 ॥ táva bhramāsa āṣuyā patanty
 ánu sprīṣa dhriṣhatá śósuecānaḥ | tápūnshy agne juhvā pa
 tamgān āsamdito ví sṛija víshvag ulkāḥ ॥ 2 ॥ prāti spāṣo
 ví sṛija tūṇitamó bhavā payúr viśo asyā ádabdhāḥ | yó
 no dūré aghāṣaṇso yó anty āgne mākish ṭe vyāthir ā da-
 dharshīt ॥ 3 ॥

Be propitiated fire-divine, by these hymns; accept, O brave, the sacred homage, offered with praises; be pleased, O fire flames, by our prayers; may the adoration addressed to Nature's forces exalt you. 15

O fire-divine, the all-wise, acquainted with the agreed upons, to you I address these wise meaningful hymns. I sing to you, O sage, the charming words of wisdom, these ever-to-be recited poems, composed with discretions and praises. 16

4

O adorable Lord, put forth your vigour, as a hunter speeds his capacious snare, and go like a mighty king on his elephant with his attendants. You are the scatterer of dark forces. May you swiftly follow and transfix the miscreants with your dart, that burns most fiercely. 1

O divine fire, your swift and whirling flames move quickly. Glowing in your fury, may you consume (the foe). O fire-divine, (when oblations are) offered by ladle, may you cast scorching flames, and sparks, and fire brands all around you. 2

O fire-divine, may you with your most rapid motion direct your radiant flames all around, and unresisted, become the protector of your people. Let no malevolent miscreant, whether remote or nigh, prevail against us, your worshippers. 3

उदग्ने तिष्ठ प्रत्या तनुष्व न्यमित्राँ ओषतास्तिग्महेते ।
 यो नो अरातिं समिधान चक्रे नीचा तं धक्ष्यत्सं न शुष्कम् ॥४॥
 ऊर्ध्वो भव प्रति विध्वाध्यस्मदाविष्कृणुष्व देवान्यग्ने ।
 अवं स्थिरा तनुहि यातुजूनां जामिमजामिं प्र मृणीहि शत्रून् ॥५॥

úd agne tishṭha práty á tanushva ny ámitráñ
 oshatāt tigmahete | yó no árātim samidhāna cakré nicā tāṃ
 dhakshy atasām ná śushkam || 4 || ūrdhvó bhava prāti vi-
 dhyādhy asmád āviṣh kṛiṇushva daívyāny agne | áva sthirá
 tanuhi yātujúnām jāmim ājāmin prá mṛiṇīhi śātrūn || 5 ||

॥२४॥ स ते जानाति सुमतिं यविष्ठ य ईवते ब्रह्मणे गानुमेरत ।
 विश्वान्यस्मै सुदिनानि रायो द्युमन्यर्यो वि दुरो अभि धीत् ॥६॥
 सेदग्ने अस्तु सुभगः सुदानुर्यस्त्वा नित्येन हविषा य उक्थेः ।
 पिप्रीषति स्व आयुषि दुरोणे विश्वेदस्मै सुदिना सासदिष्टिः ॥७॥
 अर्चामि ते सुमतिं घोष्यर्वाक्सं ते वावातां जरतामियं गीः ।
 स्वश्वास्त्वा सुरथां मर्जयेमास्मे क्षत्राणि धारयेरनु द्यून् ॥८॥
 इह त्वा भूर्यो चरेदुप त्मन्दोषावस्तदीदिवान्समनु द्यून् ।
 क्रीळन्तस्त्वा सुमनसः सपेमाभि द्युन्ना तस्त्रिवांसो जनानाम् ॥९॥

sá te jānāti sumatim yavisṭha yá ívate bráhmaṇe gā-
 tīm aírat | víṣvāny asmai sudínāni rāyó dyumnāny aryó
 ví dúro abhí dyaut || 6 || séd agne astu subhágah sudánur
 yás tvā nítvena havishā yá ukthaiḥ | píprīshati svā áyushi
 duroṇé víṣvéd asmai sudínā sāsad isṭhīḥ || 7 || árcāmi te su-
 matim ghóshy arvāk sám te vāvātā jaratām iyám gīḥ |
 sváśvās tvā suráthā marjayemāsmé kshatrāṇi dhārayer ánu
 dyún || 8 || ihá tvā bhúry á cared úpa tmán dóshāvatar
 didivānsam ánu dyún | kríḷantas tvā sumánasaḥ sapemābhí
 dyumná tasthivānsa jānānām || 9 ||

Rise up, O sharp weaponed divine fire! Spread wide your flames. Entirely consume the miscreants, unfriendly to us. O blazing fire-divine! Burn down that one like a piece of dry wood, who acts as an enemy towards us. 4

Rise up, O divine fire! Chastise those, who overpower us. Manifest your divine energies. Slacken the strong bow-strings (i.e. the threatening weapons) of the malignant foes. Destroy those, who are hostile, whether friend or alien. 5

O ever-young (fire-divine), the one who inspires devotion towards the other, well-versed in divine knowledge experiences your excellent favour. May you bestow upon him all happy days, and magnificence of riches, and as a Lord shine upon his dwelling. 6

O fire-divine, may he who propitiates you with constant oblations and praises be prosperous and liberal giver. May all his days and his sacred acts be blessed by you. 7

I adore your gracious favour, O fire-divine; may this reiterated and resounding hymn convey my love to you; may we be possessed of good horses and good cars, so that we may pay you homage and may you, day by day, provide us with protections. 8

O resplendent fire-divine, may every one of his own accord diligently serve you, day by day, shining evening and morning. So, may we enjoying and sporting, be blessed with your favour, keeping in consonance with the glory of common men. 9

यस्त्वा स्वश्वः सुहिरण्यो अग्न उपयाति वसुमता रथेन ।
तस्य ज्ञाता भवसि तस्य सखा यस्त आतिथ्यमानुषगुजोपत् ॥१०॥

yás tvā svásvaḥ suhi-
ranyó agna upayāti vásumatā ráthena | táśya trātā bhavasi
tásya sákhā yás ta ātithyám ānushág jújoshat ॥ 10 ॥

॥३५॥ महो रुजामि बन्धुता वचोभिस्तन्सां पितुर्गोतमादन्वियाय ।
त्वं नो अस्य वचंसश्चिकिद्धि होतार्यविष्ठ सुक्रतो दमूनाः ॥११॥
अस्वप्राजस्तरणायः सुशेवा अतन्द्रासीऽवृका अश्रमिष्ठाः ।
ते पायवः सध्र्यञ्चो निषद्यामो त्वं नः पान्त्वमूर ॥१२॥
ये पायवो मामतेयं ते अग्ने पश्यन्तो अन्धं दुरितादरक्षन् ।
ररक्ष तान्सुकृतो विश्ववेदा दीप्सन्त इद्दिपवो नाह देभुः ॥१३॥
त्वया वयं सध्र्यन्स्त्वोनास्तव प्रणीत्यश्याम वाजान् ।
उभा शंसां सुदय सत्यतानेऽनुष्ठुया कृणुह्यहयाण ॥१४॥
अया ते अग्ने समिधा विधेम प्रति स्तोमं शस्यमानं गृभाय ।
दहाशसो रक्षसः पाह्यऽस्मान्द्रुहो निदो मित्रमहो अवद्यात् ॥१५॥

mahó rujāmi bandhūtā vácobhis tán mā pitúr gótamād
ānv iyāya | tvām no asyá vácasas cikiddhi hótar yavishṭha
sukrato dāmūnāḥ ॥ 11 ॥ ásvapnajas tarāṇayaḥ suśévā átan-
drāso 'vrikā áśramishṭhāḥ | té pāyávaḥ sadhryañco nishá-
dyágne táva naḥ pāntv amūra ॥ 12 ॥ yé pāyávo māmате-
yām te agne pásyanto andhām duritád árakshan | raráksha
tán sukríto viśvávedā dípsanta íd ripávo náha debhuḥ
॥ 13 ॥ tváyā vayām sadhanyās tvótās táva prāṇity asyāma
vājān | ubhá śānsā sūdaya satyatāte 'nushtṭhuyá kṛiṇuhy
ahrayāṇa ॥ 14 ॥ ayá te agne samídhā vídhema práti stómam
śasyámānam grībhāya | dābhāśaso rakshāsasā pāhy àsmán
druhó nidó mitramaho avadyāt ॥ 15 ॥

You, O fire-divine, become the protector of him, and his friend who possesses good horse-like vigour and a golden chariot-like wisdom, and approaches you with a chariot laden with treasure of knowledge and who gratifies you by the due performance of hospitality to you. 10

O fire-divine, ever-young and invoker of Nature's bounties, possessed of excellent wisdom, through holy texts received from the ancestry of my most revered preceptor, I demolish the powerful evil forces. May you, be aware of our devotions to you, O humbler of foes. 11

O all-wise fire-divine, may your protecting radiance, unslumbering, alert, propitious, ever-friendly, benignant, unwearied, and co-operating, be enshrined in our hearts and homes, and preserve us. 12

O fire-divine, your on-looking protecting radiance, saves the ignorance born of egoism and misfortune. He, the omniscient one, rewards the righteous acts and then his foes, intending to destroy him, would wrought him no harm. 13

O fire-divine, may we, aided by you, become opulent. May we gain strength and attain abundant food, through your guidance. O ever-truthful, destroy both sorts of calumniators, those who are near, and those who are far off, and in due course fulfil our aspirations. 14

O fire-divine, may we propitiate you, with the fuel of our dedication. May you accept the praise, that is recited by us. May you consume the unfaithful wicked. O Lord, rich in friends, preserve us from the reproach of the oppressor and the reviler. 15

(५) पञ्चमं सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशर्चरयस्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । वैश्वानरोऽभिर्देवता । विष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ वैश्वानराय मीळहुषे सजोषाः कथा दाशेमाग्नये बृहद्वाः ।
 अनूनेन बृहता वक्षथेनोप स्तभायदुपमिन्न रोधः ॥१॥
 मा निन्दत य इमां मह्यं रातिं देवो ददौ मर्त्याय स्वधावान् ।
 पाकाय गृत्सो अमृतो विचेता वैश्वानरो नृतमो यद्धो अग्निः ॥२॥
 साम द्विवर्हा माहि तिम्रभृष्टिः सहस्रेता वृषभस्तुविष्मान् ।
 पदं न गोरपंगूळहं विविद्धानग्निर्मह्यं प्रेदु वोचन्मनीषाम् ॥३॥

5.

Vaiṣvānarāya mīlhuṣhe sajóshāḥ kathā dāṣemāgnāye
 bṛihád bhāḥ | ánūnena bṛihatá vaksháthenópa stabhāyad
 upamín ná ródhaḥ || 1 || má nindata yá imām máhyam rā-
 tīm devó dadau mártyaāya svadhāvān | pákāya gr̥itso amṛito
 vicetā vaiṣvānaró nṛítamo yahvó agnīḥ || 2 || sáma dvi-
 bārha máhi tigmábhr̥ishṭīḥ sahásraretā vṛishabhás túvi-
 shmān | padām ná gór āpagūlham vividvān agnīr máhyam
 préd u vocan manīshām || 3 ||

प्र तां अग्निर्वैभसत्तिग्मजम्भस्तपिष्ठिन शोचिषा यः सुराधाः ।
 प्र ये भिनन्ति वरुणस्य धाम प्रिया मित्रस्य चेततो ध्रुवाणि ॥२॥
 अभ्रातरो न योषणो व्यन्तः पतिरिपो न जनयो दुरेयोः ।
 पापासः सन्तो अनृता असत्या इदं पदमजनता गर्भारम् ॥३॥

prá táñ agnīr babhasat ti-
 gmájambhas tápishṭhena ṣocíshā yáḥ surádhāḥ | prá yé
 minánti várūṇasya dhāma priyá mitrásyā cétato dhruvāṇi
 || 4 || abhrātáro ná yóshaṇo vyántaḥ patirípo ná jánayo dur-
 évāḥ | pāpāsaḥ sánto anṛitá asatyá idám padám ajanatā
 gabhīrām || 5 ||

How shall we offer, with one accord, our devotion to the bounteous, extremely radiant, supreme leader who holds the universe with His vast, self-sustained body, as a pillar bears the roof. 1

Do not reproach the fire-divine, who is self-reliant, and who accepting the offerings, bestows prosperity to his mortal worshipper of mature intellect. He is wise, immortal, discriminating, chief conductor, most powerful, and supreme leader. 2

The divine fire, spreads his flames both (in celestial and midspace) regions. He is intensely-matured, full of thousandfold vigour, and strong as bull. He comprehends, by his wisdom, the mysterious sacred hymns, concealed like the foot-steps of missing cow. May he reveal that secret knowledge to me. 3

May the bounteous fire-divine, consume them with his fiercely glowing sharp jaws-like flames, who disregard the commandments and steadfast laws of most venerable and sagacious Lord. 4

Like youthful women, who have no close relatives, or like damsels, who unaccommodating with their husbands, go astray; the wicked persons become sinful, untrue, and unfaithful;—such people give birth to the deep abysmal state of life. 5

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इदं मे अग्ने कियते पावकामिनते गुरुं भारं न सन्म ।
 बृहदधाय धृता गभीरं युद्धं पृष्ठं प्रथमा सप्तधातु ॥६॥
 तमिच्छेद्वय समना समानमभि कृत्वा पुनती धीतिरश्याः ।
 ससस्य चर्मन्नाधि चारु पृश्नेरग्रे रूप आरूपितं जवारु ॥७॥
 प्रवाच्यं वचसः किं मे अस्य गुहा हितमुप निणिग्वदन्ति ।
 यदुस्त्रियाणामप वारिव व्रन्पाति प्रियं रूपो अग्रं पदं वेः ॥८॥
 इदमु त्वन्महि महामनीकं यदुस्त्रिया सचत पुर्व्यं गौः ।
 कृतस्य पदे अधि दीद्यानं गुहा रघुष्पद्रघुयद्वेद ॥९॥
 अध द्युतानः पित्रोः सचासामनुत गुह्यं चारु पृश्नेः ।
 मातुष्पदे परमे अन्ति पद्मोवृष्णः शोचिषः प्रयतस्य जिह्वा ॥१०॥

idám me agne kiyate pāvakāminate gurūṁ bhārāṁ ná
 mánma | bṛihád dadhātha dhr̥ishatá gābhīrām yahvām pṛi-
 shthām prāyasā saptádhātu || 6 || tām ín nv évá samanā samā-
 nām abhí krátvā punatí dhītí r̥asyāḥ | sasāsya cármann ádhi
 cáru pṛisner ágre rupá árupitam jábāru || 7 || pravācyam váca-
 saḥ kím me asyá gūhā hitām úpa niṇig vadanti | yád usrīyā-
 nām ápa vār iva vrán páti priyám rupó ágram padām véḥ
 || 8 || idám u tyán máhi mahám ánikam yád usrīyā sácata
 pūrvyām gauḥ | r̥itāsya padé ádhi dídyānam gūhā raghu-
 shyád raghuýád viveda || 9 || ádha dyutānāḥ pitrōḥ sácāsā-
 manuta gūhyam cáru pṛisneh | mātúsh padé paramé ánti
 shád gór vṛishṇaḥ śocishah práyatasya jihvā || 10 ||

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कृतं वेचि नमसा पृच्छयमानस्तवाशसा जातवेदा यदीदम् ।
 त्वमस्य क्षयसि यद् विश्वं दिवि यद् द्रविणं यत्पृथिव्याम् ॥११॥

ṛitām voce nāmasā pṛichyāmānas tāvāsāsā jātavedo yá-
 dīdám | tvám asyá kshayasi yád dha víśvam diví yád u
 dráviṇam yát pṛithivyām || 11 ||

O purifying fire-divine, feeble and innocent as I am, you have boldly given a heavy burden to me of exceedingly profound, enjoyable, deep, mighty and tangible wealth of seven elements. 6

May our self-purifying, heartfelt praise, suited to his glory, reach rapidly and mount like the sun above the immovable heaven. This the supreme leader, the sun, treats everyone equal, and his swift-moving brilliant orb is stationed on the east of the earth. 7

What can be objectionable about my this utterance? The ancient sages also affirm that the milk which people ought to have obtained with ease like water has been hidden in secret (by the supreme leader), who protects earth's best and well-lived places. 8

I have known the great one's mighty assemblage (i.e. the solar orb) which from an old radiant milk-shedding cow (i.e. the dawn) has followed,—the one (i.e. the solar orb) shining brightly above the waters (i.e. firmament), in secret, swift gliding and swift moving. 9

The great sun, shining amidst the parents (heaven and the earth) drinks the agreeable secretion of clouds in the mid-space. In the similar way, the tongue of the assiduous resplendent and intensely dedicated devotee avails the divine milk quite close from the source. 10

Interrogated, with reverence, I declare the truth, that all this (wisdom etc.) is acquired by your praise, O omniscient Lord. You rule all-over the worldly prosperity. You are the sovereign owner of all the wealth, contained in the celestial and earthly regions. 11

किं नो अस्य द्रविणं कद् रवं वि नो वाचो जातवेदश्चिकित्वा ।
 गुहाध्वनः परमं यन्नो अस्य रेकु पदं न निदाना अगन्म ॥१२॥
 का मर्यादा वयुना कद् वाममच्छा गमेम रघवो न वाजम् ।
 कदा नो देवीरमृतस्य पत्नीः सूर्यो वर्णेन ततनमुपासः ॥१३॥
 अनिरेण वचसा फल्ग्वेन प्रतीत्येन कृधुनातृपासः ।
 अथा ते अग्ने किमिहा वेदन्त्यनायुधास आसता सचन्ताम् ॥१४॥
 अस्य श्रिये समिधानस्य वृष्णो वसोरनीकं दम् आ रुरोच ।
 रुषादसानः सुदृशीकरूपः क्षितिर्न राया पुरुवारो अद्यौत् ॥१५॥

kīm no asyā drāviṇaṃ kād
 dha rātnaṃ ví no voco jātavedaṣ cikitvān | gúhādhvanah
 paramāṃ yān no asyā réku padāṃ ná nidānā āganma
 || 12 || kā maryādā vayúnā kād dha vāmāṃ áebā gamema
 raghávo ná vájam | kadā no devír amṛítasya pátniḥ sūro
 vārṇena tatanann ushāsaḥ || 13 || anirēṇa vācasā phalgvēna
 pratítyena kṛidhúnātripāsaḥ | ádhā té agne kím ihā va-
 danty anāyudhāsa āsatā sacantām || 14 || asyā śriyé samidhā-
 nāsyā vṛishṇo vásor ānikam dāma á ruroca | rūṣad vāsānah
 sudṛīṣīkarūpaḥ kshitír ná rāyā puruvāro adyaut || 15 ||

(६) १४ एकम्

(१-११) एकादशचत्वारस्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निदेवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥४॥ ऊर्ध्व ऊ पु णो अध्वरस्य होतुरग्ने तिष्ठ देवताता यर्जायान ।
 त्वं हि विश्वमभ्यसि मन्म प्र वेधसाश्चित्तिरसि मनीषाम् ॥१॥

6.

Ūrdhvā ū shū no adhvarasya hotar āgne tishṭha devā-
 tātā yājīyān | tvām hí vīśvam abhy āsi mánma prā vedhā-
 saḥ eit tirasi manīśhām || 1 ||

O divine fire, knower of all that is born and exists ! What is the value of this wealth to us, and what is its advantage? Tell us, O omniscient Lord, for you know what is the best secret course for us so that we may follow it unobstructed, as if, it is the direct road. 12

What is the limit ? What are the objects ? Which is the desirable end to which we rush, like swift horses to the battle ? When will the dawns-like divine wisdom, the brilliant inseparable spouse of the immortal sun-like self spread over us the divine splendour. 13

Even ordinary men are not satisfied by unproductive, frivolous, scanty and inconclusive speech. Then O divine fire, wherefore do they address you here ? Let those who have no implements suffer from poverty. 14

The splendour of this kindled one, which is mighty, and giver of dwellings, shines for glory in the hearts and abode of all beings for the prosperity of the institutor of worship. He is clothed in radiance, beautiful in semblance, glorified by all, and shines like the earth with riches. 15

O fire-divine, presenter of our worship, you are entitled to our adoration; may you adorn the highest pedestal amidst Nature's bounties. You are cognizant of all our innermost thoughts and inspire the wisdom of intellectuals. 1

अमूरो होता न्यसादि विव्वभिर्मन्द्रो विदथेषु प्रचेताः ।
 ऊर्ध्वं भानुं सवितेवाश्रेन्मेतेव धूमं स्तभायदुप द्याम् ॥२॥
 यता सुजूर्णी रातिनी घृताची प्रदक्षिणिदेवतातिमुगणः ।
 उदु स्वर्लवजा नाकः पश्वो अनक्ति सुधितः सुमेकः ॥३॥
 स्तीर्णे बर्हिषि समिधाने अग्ना ऊर्ध्वो अध्वर्युर्जुजुषाणो अस्थात् ।
 पर्यग्निः पशुपा न होता त्रिविष्टेति प्रदिवं उगणः ॥४॥
 परि त्मना मितद्रुरेति होताभिर्मन्द्रो मधुवचा क्रतावा ।
 द्रवन्त्वस्य वाजिनो न शोका भयन्ते विश्वा भुवना यदभ्राद् ॥५॥

ámūro hótā ny āsādi vikshv
 āgnīr mandró vidátheshu prácetāḥ | ūrdhvām bhānūm savi-
 tévāšren méteva dhūmām stabháyad úpa dyām || 2 || yatā
 sujūrñī rātīnī ghṛitācī pradakshīṇīd devātātim urāṇāḥ | úd
 u svárur navajā nákrāḥ paśvó anakti súdhitāḥ sumékaḥ || 3 ||
 stīrṇé barhīshi samidhāné agnā ūrdhvó adhvaryúr juju-
 shāṇó asthāt | páry agnīḥ paśupá ná hotā trivishty èti pra-
 díva urāṇāḥ || 4 || pári tmánā mitadrur eti hótāgnīr mandró
 mādhuvacā rītāvā | drávanty asya vājīno ná śókā bháyante
 vísvā bhúvanā yád ábhrāt || 5 ||

॥५॥ भद्रा ते अग्ने स्वनीक संहघोरस्य सतो विपुणस्य चारुः ।
 न यते शोचिस्तमसा वरन्तु न ध्वसानस्तन्वीरु रेप आ धुः ॥६॥
 न यस्य सातुर्जनितोरवारि न मातरापितरा नू चिदिष्टौ ।
 अधा मित्रो न सुधितः पावकोऽमिदीदाय मानुषेषु विशु ॥७॥

bhadrā te agne svanika saṁdrīg ghorāsya sató víshu-
 nasya cāruḥ | ná yát te śocís támasā váranta ná dhvasmā-
 nas tanvī répa á dhuḥ || 6 || ná yásya sátur jánitor ávāri
 ná mātārāpitārā nū cid ishṭau | ádhā mitró ná súdhitāḥ
 pāvakò 'gnīr didāya mánushīshu vikshu || 7 ||

The unerring, the sagacious, exhilarating fire-divine, the ministrant priest is enshrined amongst men and in our holy synods. Like the sun, he spreads splendour above, and like a man of authority, spirals the smoke rising up in the sky. 2

The glowing ladle, filled with the butter of devotion, is raised high for offering; invoking Nature's bounties, inspiring the worship, it circumambulates. The newly born sun of wisdom has come up. The fire-divine is shining with his apparently stationary, still moving with speed, beautifully glowing, illuminating and revealing flames. 3

As in the radiant vast firmament, the sun, with his brilliance and activity rises up and circumambulates across the sky, in the similar way, may the priest, the preserver of men and cattle, rise to his task rejoicing, when sacred grass is strewn and fire is kindled of the ritual. 4

The flames of the cosmic fire-divine, cheerful, conveyer, true to natural laws, move periodically of their own accord. The effulgent flames spread around like vigorous courser; all are frightened, when the fire blazes. 5

O bright shining cosmic fire, beautiful and auspicious is your aspect, and you are terrible and wide-spreading. Your splendour is not covered by darkness, and wicked forces leave no stain on your body. 6

The bounteous, purifying cosmic fire shines like a friend in all fields of human activities. He is the progenitor (of mankind), and his benevolence remains unimpeded. Even parents (heaven and earth) are unable to impose restrictions on his aspirations. 7

द्विषं पञ्च जीजनन्त्संवसानाः स्वसारो अग्निं मानुषीषु विष्णु ।
 उपबुधमथर्यो न दन्तं शुक्रं स्वासं परशुं न तिममम् ॥८॥
 तव ते अग्ने हरितो घृतस्ना रोहितास ऋज्वञ्चः स्वञ्चः ।
 अरुषासो वृषण ऋजुमुष्का आ देवतातिमहन्त दुस्साः ॥९॥
 ये ह ते ते सहमाना अयासस्त्वेषासो अग्ने अर्चयश्चरन्ति ।
 स्येनासो न दुवसनासो अर्थं तुविष्णसो मारुतं न शर्धः ॥१०॥
 अकारि ब्रह्म समिधानं तुभ्यं शंसत्युक्थं यजते व्युधाः ।
 होताग्मग्निं मनुषो नि पैदुर्नमन्त्यन्त उशिजः शंसमावोः ॥११॥

dvīr yām

pāñca jījanan samvāsānāḥ svāsāro agnīm mānushīshu vi-
 kshū | usharbūdham atharyo nā dāntam śukrām svāsam pa-
 raśūm nā tigmām || 8 || tāva tyé agne harīto ghrītasnā ró-
 hitāsa ṛijvāñcaḥ svāñcaḥ | arushāso vṛishāṇa ṛijumushkā ā
 devātātim ahvanta dasmāḥ || 9 || yé ha tyé te sāhamānā
 ayāsas tveshāso agne arcāyaṣ cāranti | syenāso ná duvasa-
 nāso ārtham tuvishvanāso mārutam ná śārdhaḥ || 10 || ākāri
 brāhma samidhāna túbhyaṁ śānsāty ukthām yājate vy ū
 dhāḥ | hótāram agnīm mānusho ní shedur namasyānta usī-
 jah śānsam āyóḥ || 11 ||

(७) सप्तमं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतनो वामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । (१) प्रथमर्चो जगती,

(२-६) द्वितीयादिपद्यानामनुष्टुप्, (७-११) सप्तम्यादिपद्यानाञ्च त्रिष्टुप् छन्दांसि ॥

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अयमिह प्रथमो धायि धातृभिर्होता यजिष्ठो अक्षरेष्वीड्यः ।
 यमप्रवानो भृगवो विरुचुर्वनेषु चित्रं विन्ध्यं विशेविशे ॥१॥

7.

Ayām ihā prathamó dhāyi dhātṛibhir hótā yājishtho
 adhvaréshv īdyah | yām āpnavāno bhrīgavo virurucūr vā-
 neshu citrām vibhvaṁ viṣé-viṣe || 1 ||

The flames of the inner fire of human body are awakened at dawn and gradually fed on experiences. They are brilliant like a spear's tooth, sharp as an axe, and are engendered by two sets of five sisters (five sense organs and five vitals). 8

These experiences are of multi-forms : some sanctified by love, some straight-going, some well-motivated, others sturdy and vigorous ; some sincere and honest, others graceful; all are summoned to serve the divine complex of human system. 9

These flames of experiences of inner fire are triumphant, wide-spreading, radiant, adorable and go like falcon hastening to their goal, roaring loudly like an army of thundering clouds. 10

O well-kindled inner fire, for you, the prayer has been composed; may the priest propitiate you by his praise, the devotee offer worship, and may you bestow upon us manifold wealth. Men have established the divine fire as the invoker of Nature's bounties, to be adored by mankind. 11

7

This invoker of Nature's bounties, adored in worship, has been assigned a foremost place by the performers of noble deeds. This is the cosmic fire, marvellous in action, and sovereign over all, whom the wise sages, and their descendents harness for domestic purposes and for the benefit of mankind. 1

अग्ने कदा तं आनुषग्भुवद्विषस्य चेतनम् ।
 अथा हि त्वा जग्गृभ्रिरे मर्तासो विद्वीड्वम् ॥२॥
 ऋतावानं विचेतसं पश्यन्तो द्यामिव स्तुभिः ।
 विश्वेषामध्वराणां हस्तुर्नारं दमेदमे ॥३॥
 आशुं दूतं विवस्वतो विश्वा यश्चर्षणीरभि ।
 आ जंभुः केतुमायवो भृगवाणं विशेविशे ॥४॥
 तर्मां होतारमानुषक्चिकित्वांसं नि वेदिरे ।
 रण्यं पावकशोचिषं यजिष्ठं सप्त धामनिः ॥५॥

agne kadā ta ānuśhāg

bhúvad devásya cétanam | ádhā hí tvā jagṛibhriré mártāso
 vikshv ídyam || 2 || ṛitāvānam vícetasam páśyanto dyām iva
 strībhiḥ | viśveshām adhvarāṇām haskartāram dāme-dame
 || 3 || āśum dūtām vivāsvato víśvā yāś carshaṇír abhi | ā
 jabhruḥ ketum āyāvo bhrīgavāṇam viśé-viśe || 4 || tám im
 hótāram ānushák eikitváṅsam ní shedire | raṇvām pāvaká-
 śocisham yājishṭham saptá dhāmabhiḥ || 5 ||

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तं शश्वतीषु मातृषु वन आ वीतमश्रितम् ।
 चित्रं सन्तं गुहां हितं सुवेदं कूचिदुर्धनम् ॥६॥
 ससस्य यद्वियुता सस्मिन्नूधन्नृतस्य धामन्नणयन्त देवाः ।
 महौ अग्निर्ममसा रातहव्यो वेरध्वराय सद्मिदृतावा ॥७॥
 वेरध्वरस्य दूत्यानि विद्वानुभे अन्ता रोदसी संचिकित्वान् ।
 दूत ईयसे प्रदिवं उरणो विदुष्टरो द्विव आरोधनानि ॥८॥

tām śaśvatishu mātṛiṣhu vāna ā vītām āśritam | citrām
 śāntam gūhā hitām suvédam kūcidarthīnam || 6 || śasāsya
 yād víyutā śásmimn ūdhann ṛitāsya dhāman raṇáyanta de-
 vāḥ | mahāñ agnír námasā rātāhavyo vér adhvarāya sádam
 íd ṛitāvā || 7 || vér adhvarāśya dūtyāni vidvān ubhé antā
 ródasī saṃeikitvān | dūtā iyase pradíva uraṇó vidúshṭaro
 divá āródhanāni || 8 ||

O fire-cosmic, when shall your glory, as the shining lord, be manifested, since mortal men have accepted you to be adored in their hearts and homes. 2

You are known to be true to natural laws, intelligent, most sapient like the starry heavens, illumining with cheerful rays each solemn activity in every home. 3

Wise men have enshrined you, O cosmic fire, in each and every individual. You are banner and representative of the sun, the source of universal light. 4

The worshippers enshrine him with delight who is the invoker of Nature's bounties, the intelligent, the graceful, purifying and radiant in seven regions. 5

Worshippers enshrine him as he abides in motherly cosmic elements of sky, and in the woods. He is loved, yet unapproachable, wonderful, hidden in a cave, endowed with knowledge, and accepts oblations from all quarters. 6

The enlightened devotees propitiate him every morning at his very source of cosmic water. Great cosmic fire, when served with reverence, accepts oblations readily as if by flying. 7

You, being a knower, are aware of the functions of a messenger; you are widely present in both heaven and earth, and that which lies between them. You go up the ascents of heaven, as you are one among the earliest and an envoy, amplifying and willing. 8

कृष्णं त एम रुशतः पुरो भाश्चरिष्वर्चिर्वपुषामिदेकम् ।
यदप्रवीता दधते ह गर्भं सद्यश्चिजातो भवसीदु दूतः ॥९॥
सद्यो जातस्य ददृशानमोजो यदस्य वातो अनुवाति शोचिः ।
वृणक्ति तिग्मामतसेषु जिह्वां स्थिरा चिदन्ना दयते वि जम्भैः ॥१०॥
तृषु यदन्ना तृषुणा ववक्षे तृषु दूतं कृणुते युद्धो अग्निः ।
वातस्य मेळिं संचते निजूर्वन्नाशुं न वाजयते हिन्ये अवी ॥११॥

krishṇām ta éma rúṣataḥ puró bhás
carishṇv āreír vāpushām íd ékam | yád āpravītā dádhate
ha gárbham sadyás cij jātó bhávasíd u dūtāḥ || 9 || sadyó
jātásya dádriṣānam ójo yád asya vāto anuvāti ṣocīḥ | vṛi-
ṇákti tigṃām ataséshu jihvām sthirā cid ánnā dayate ví
jámhbhaiḥ || 10 || tṛishú yád ánnā tṛishúnā vaváksha tṛishúm
dūtām kṛiṇute yahvó agníḥ | vātasya melím sacate nijúr-
vann āśúm ná vājayate hinvé árvā || 11 ||

(८) अष्टमं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥८॥ दूतं वो विश्ववेदसं हव्यवाहुममर्त्यम् । यजिष्ठमृजसे गिरा ॥१॥
स हि वेदा वसुधितिं महौ आरोधनं दिवः । स देवाँ एह वक्षति ॥२॥
स वेद देव आनमं देवाँ क्रतायते दमे । दाति प्रियाणि चिहसुं ॥३॥

8.

Dūtām vo viśvāvedasaṃ havyavāham āmartyam | yáji-
shtham riṇjase girā || 1 || sá hí védā vásudhitim mahāñ āró-
dhanam divāḥ | sá devāñ éhá vakshati || 2 || sá veda devā
ānāmam devāñ ritāyaté dāme | dáti priyāṇi cid vásu || 3 ||

O bright Lord, dark is your path, the light is before you, and your moving radiance is the chief of all luminous bodies. When the worshippers take up the germ, you are generated by attrition from sticks and then become indeed the messenger. 9

The light of the speedily generated is apparent, and when the wind fans the fire, he spreads his blazing tongue-like flames amongst the vegetation, and between his grinding jaws consumes at will the standing fuel as his food. 10

When quickly, with rapid radiance, he consumes all forms, the mighty sacred fire makes (himself) the speedy envoy of the worshippers; he follows the rustling of the wind, and as a horse-man drives the swift horse onwards, so the rapid-going fire-divine invigorates and urges his flames. 11

8

I propitiate with praise the omniscient, the bestower of blessings, immortal, the ordainer, the dispeller of gloom. 1

The mighty one knows how to bestow the desired wealth upon the worshipper. He knows the deep recesses of the heavenly world. May He inspire and guide Nature's bounties in this creation. 2

He, the divine, knows how Nature's bounties are to be guided to the sincere worshipper; in His dwelling, He gives them treasures that He loves. 3

स होता सेदु दृत्यं चिकित्वाँ अन्तरीयते । विद्वाँ आरोधनं दिवः ॥४॥
 ते स्याम ये अग्ने ददाशुर्हव्यदातिभिः । य ई पुष्यन्त इन्धने ॥५॥
 ते राया ते सुवीर्यैः ससवांसो वि श्रृण्विरे । ये अग्ना दधिरे दुवः ॥६॥
 अस्मे रायो दिवेदिवे सं चरन्तु पुरुस्पृहः । अस्मे वाजास ईरताम् ॥७॥
 स विप्रश्चर्षणीनां शवसा मानुषाणाम् । अति क्षिप्रेव विध्वनि ॥८॥

sā hótā sēd u dūtyāṃ cikītvāñ antārīyate | vidvāñ ārō-
 dhanam divaḥ ॥ 4 ॥ té syāma yé agnāye dadāśūr havyādā-
 tibhiḥ | yā īm pūshyanta indhaté ॥ 5 ॥ té rāyā té suvīryaiḥ
 sasavāṅso ví śṛṇvire | yé agnā dadhiré dúvaḥ ॥ 6 ॥ asmé
 rāyo divé-dive sām carantu purusprīhaḥ | asmé vājāsa īra-
 tāṃ ॥ 7 ॥ sā vípraś carshaṇīnām śavasā mánushāṇām | átī
 kshipréva vidhyati ॥ 8 ॥

(९.) नवमं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टर्षस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निदेवता । गायत्री उद्गः ॥

॥९॥ अग्ने मृळ मृहोँ असि य ईमा देवयुं जनम् । इयेथ बर्हिःसदम् ॥१॥
 स मानुषीषु दूळभो विक्षु प्रावीरमर्त्यः । दूतो विश्वेषां भुवत ॥२॥
 स सद्य परि णीयते होता मन्द्रो दिविष्टिषु । उत पोता नि शिदति ॥३॥
 उत मा अग्निर्ध्वर उतो गृहपतिर्दमे । उत ब्रह्मा नि शिदति ॥४॥

9.

Āgne mṛilā mahāñ asi yā īm ā devayūṃ jānam | iyé-
 tha barhír āśadam ॥ 1 ॥ sā mánushīshu dūlābho vikshú prā-
 vír āmartyaḥ | dūtó víśveshām bhuvat ॥ 2 ॥ sā sādma pári
 ṇīyate hótā mandró diviṣṭishu | utá pótā ní shīdati ॥ 3 ॥
 utá gnā agnír adhvará utó gṛihápatir dāme | utá brahmā
 ní shīdati ॥ 4 ॥

He is the guide of Nature's bounties, and He knows well the art of dispelling gloom, and knows the deep recesses of heaven. 4

May we be dear to you, like those who propitiate you with devotion and cherish and enkindle you to enhance your glory. 5

They are renowned for wealth and for progeny who serve adorable Lord reverently. 6

My riches, craved by all, come to us day by day, and may abundant strengthening food spring up for us. 7

May the wise adorable Lord entirely obviate and destroy by his swift arrows the evils of farsighted men. 8

9

O adorable Lord, make us happy. Supreme is your power. May you come to the pious devotee and be enshrined in his heart. 1

May that adorable Lord, who is invincible, immortal, pre-eminent among men, become dispeller of distress. 2

His glory is established all around the works to be adored. As a sanctifier He is enshrined in the hearts of men. 3

Adorable Lord is the tune of voice of sacred worship. He is the master in our homes, and sits down as a sovereign supreme. 4

वेषि ह्यध्वरीयानामुपवक्ता जनानाम् । हव्या च मानुषाणाम् ॥५॥
 वेषीहेत्य दूत्यं यस्य जुजोषो अध्वरम् । हव्यं मर्तस्य वोळहवे ॥६॥
 अस्माकं ज्योष्यध्वरमुष्माकं यज्ञमङ्गिरः । अस्माकं शृणुष्वी हवम् ॥७॥
 परि ते दूळभो रथोऽस्मां अश्वातु विध्वतः । येन रक्षसि दाशुषः ॥८॥

véshi hy ádhvarīyatām upavaktā jānānām
 havyā ca mānushāṇām ॥ 5 ॥ véshīd v asya dūtyām yāsya
 jūjoshō adhvarām | havyām mār̥tasya vólhave ॥ 6 ॥ asmā-
 kam joshy adhvarām asmākam yajñām āṅgiraḥ | asmākam
 śṛiṇudhī hāvam ॥ 7 ॥ pāri te dūlābho rātho 'smān aṣnotu
 viśvātah | yēna rākshasi dāśuṣah ॥ 8 ॥

(१०) दशमं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टवस्यास्य मृतस्य गीतमो वामदेव क्रपिः । अग्निदेवता । (१-३) प्रथमतृचस्य पदपङ्क्तिः,

(४, ६, ७) चतुर्थीपङ्क्तिस्तमोनामृतां पदपङ्क्तिर्हविर्गवा, (५) पञ्चम्या महापदपङ्क्तिः,

(८) अष्टम्याथोष्णिक छन्दांसि ॥

॥१०॥ अग्ने तमद्याश्च न स्तोमैः क्तुं न भद्रं हृदिस्पृशाम् । ऋध्यामा त ओहेः ॥१॥
 अथा ह्यग्ने क्रतोर्भद्रस्य दक्षस्य साधोः । रथीकृतस्य बृहतो बभूव ॥२॥
 एभिर्नो अर्केर्भवा नो अर्वाङ् स्वर्ण ज्योतिः । अग्ने विश्वेभिः सुमना अनीकैः ॥३॥
 अभिष्टे अय नीभिर्गृणन्तोऽग्ने दाशेम । प्र ते दिवो न स्तनयन्ति शुष्माः ॥४॥

10.

Ágne tám adyāśvam ná stómaih krátum ná bhadram
 hṛdisprīṣam | ṛidhyāmā ta óhaiḥ ॥ 1 ॥ ádhā hy āgne krátor
 bhadrásya dākshasya sādhoḥ | rathír ṛitásya bṛiható babhū-
 tha ॥ 2 ॥ ebhír no arkaír bhāvā no arvān svār ná jyótiḥ |
 ágne viśvebhiḥ sumánā ánikaīḥ ॥ 3 ॥ ābhīśh ṭe adyā gīrbhír
 grīṇántó 'gne dāśema | prā te divó ná stanayanti śuśhmāḥ ॥ 4 ॥

You cherish the oblations offered by devotees, who perform sacred benevolent deeds and you lead them on right path. 5

You bless the sacrifices of the devotee who offers you sincere devotion and you dispell his gloom. 6

Be pleased by our dedication, O supreme vital force, give ear to our invocations. 7

May your inviolable chariots, whereby you continue to guard the dedicated, be everywhere around us. 8

10

We exalt and glorify you this day, O adorable Lord, with hymns and benevolent acts. You are swift as a horse, and propitious like a benefactor and full of touching affection. 1

O adorable Lord, you are the chariot-master to guide us along our auspicious, powerful, efficacious, truthful and benevolent paths. 2

O adorable Lord, you are bright as the sun, and well disposed. May you, propitiated by these our hymns, come to meet us, with all your hosts of radiance. 3

Glorifying you, O adorable Lord, today, with these our praises, may we offer you, our dedications. You are brilliant and roaring like a celestial thunder. 4

तव स्वादिष्टाग्ने संदृष्टिर्दिदिदह्म इदि चिदुक्तोः । श्रिये रुक्मो न रोचत उपके ॥५॥
 धृतं न पूतं तनूरेषाः शुचि हिरण्यम् । तत्ते रुक्मो न रोचत स्वधावः ॥६॥
 कृतं चिदि प्मा सनेमि द्वेषाऽन्नं इनापि मतीत । इत्था यजमानादृतवः ॥७॥
 शिवा नः सख्या सन्तु आत्राग्ने देवेषु युष्मे । सानोनाभिः सदेने सस्मिन्नुद्यत् ॥८॥

táva svádishthāgne sám̐drishtīr idá eid áhna idá eid
 aktóh | śriyé rukmó ná rocata upāké || 5 || ghṛitám ná pū-
 tām tanūr arepāh śuci hīraṇyam | tát te rukmó ná rocata
 svadhāvaḥ || 6 || kṛitám eid dhī shmā sánemi dvéshó 'gna
 inóshi mártāt | itthá yájamānād ṛitāvaḥ || 7 || śivá naḥ sa-
 khyá sántu bhrātrāgne devéshu yushmé | sá no nábhiḥ sá-
 dane sásminn ūdhan || 8 ||

(११) पञ्चादशं मूलम्

(१-६) पङ्क्त्यान्वयं मूलस्य गौतमो यामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । त्रिगुण छन्दः ॥

॥११॥ भद्रं ते अग्ने महस्मिन्ननीकमुपाक आ रोचते सूर्यस्य ।
 रुद्रादृशे ददृशे नक्त्या चिदरुक्षितं दृश आ रूपे अन्नम् ॥१॥
 वि षाह्यग्ने गृणते मनीषां खं वेपसा तुविजातु स्तवानः ।
 विश्वेभिर्यद्वावनः शुक्र देवैस्तन्नो रास्व सुमहो भूरि मन्म ॥२॥

11.

Bhadrām te agne sahasinn ánikam upāká á rocate sūr-
 yasya | rūṣad dṛiṣé dadṛiṣe naktayá eid árūkshitam dṛiṣá
 á rūpé ánnam || 1 || ví shāhy agne gṛiṇaté manīshām khām
 vepasā tuvijāta stāvānaḥ | viṣvebhir yád vāvānaḥ śukra de-
 vaís tán no rāsva sumaho bhúri mánma || 2 ||

O adorable Lord, whether by day or by night, your sweet radiance shines like an ornament to grant us glory. 5

O granter of sustenance, your favour is free from fault, like purified butter; your pure lustre shines like gold ornament. 6

O ever-true, adorable Lord, verily you remove from the devoted mortal, whatever hate and mischief, if committed by him in the past. 7

O adorable Lord, may our friendly and fraternal kinship to you and to Nature's bounties, be a blessing to us. May this our bond of kinship be the central focus of our benevolent deeds. 8

11

O powerful fire divine, your auspicious radiance shines upon the proximity of the sun by day; your bright and visible lustre is conspicuous even by night. The food offered to you becomes the part of you while it passes through flames. 1

O adorable, engendered repeatedly, and glorified by worship, set open heaven to him, who offers you adoration. O resplendent, may you bestow upon us that ample and acceptable wealth, which you, along with other Nature's bounties, have given to other worshippers. 2

त्वदंशे काव्या त्वन्मनीषास्त्वदुक्था जायन्ते सव्यानि ।
 त्वदेति द्रविणं वीरपेशा इत्याधिये दाशुषे सत्याय ॥३॥
 त्वद्वाजी वाजंभुरे विहाया अभिशृङ्गायते सत्वशृङ्गः ।
 त्वद्रविर्देवजुतो मयोभुस्त्वदाशुर्जुजुवौ अग्ने अर्वा ॥४॥
 त्वामग्ने प्रथमं देवयन्तो देवं मतीं अमृतं मन्द्रजिह्वम् ।
 द्वेषोयुतमा विवासन्ति धीभिर्दमूनसं गृहपतिममूरम् ॥५॥
 आरे अस्मदमतिमारे अहं आरे विश्वां दुर्गतिं यन्निपासि ।
 दोषा शिवः सहसः सूतो अग्ने यं देव आ चित्सर्वमे स्वस्ति ॥६॥

tvád agne
 kávyā tvān manishās tvád ukthā jāyante rādhyāni | tvád
 eti draviṇam virāpeṣā itthādhiye dāśuṣhe mārtyāya || 3 ||
 tvád vājī vājambharó viháya abhishtīkrīj jāyate satyāṣu-
 śmah | tvád rayīr devājūto mayobhūs tvád āśūr jūjuvān
 agne ārvā || 4 || tvām agne prathamāṃ devayānto devām
 mártā amṛita mandrájihvam | dveshoyútam ā vivāsanti dhī-
 bhīr dāmūnasam grīhāpatim āmūram || 5 || āré asmád āma-
 tim āré ānha āré viśvām durmatīm yān nipāsi | doṣhā śivāḥ
 sahasaḥ sūno agne yām devā ā eit sácase svastí || 6 ||

(१२) दादशं सूक्तम्

(१-६) पशुचस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो यामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥१२॥ यस्त्वामग्ने इन्धते यतस्तुक्त्रिस्ते अग्ने कृणवत्सस्मिन्नहन् ।
 स सु दुश्चैरभ्यस्तु प्रसक्तव कृत्वा जातयेदश्विकृत्वान् ॥१॥

12.

Yás tvām agna inádhate yatáśruk trís te ánnam kṛiṇá-
 vat sásminn áhan | sá sú dyumnaír abhy ástu prasákshat
 táva krátvā jātavedaṣ cikítvān || 1 ||

O adorable, from you springs poetic wisdom; from you come effective thoughts and hymns of praise, and from you flow fame and wealth to the man, who worships with sincerity and offers oblations. 3

O adorable Lord, you are vigorous, sustainer of food and power, extensive, fulfiller of aspirations, and possessor of lasting courage. From you springs wealth, which is divine, and source of happiness; also from you comes vigour which is swift and impetuous. 4

O immortal Lord, devout mortals worship you with holy actions, as you are the foremost divine. Your tongue like flames are exhilarating. You are dissipator of sin, the humiliator of evil forces and unerring. You are the Lord of their household. 5

O adorable Lord, the source of strength, since you protect your worshippers, may you remove far from us all iniquity; remove far from us sin, and remove far from us all evil thoughts. Verily blessed is he, whom you brighten even at night, and promote his well-being. 6

O omniscient Lord, just as sacrificial fire is kindled by uplifted ladle (full of butter), similarly you are invoked thrice every day by devotional prayers. May your devotee be blessed by you, so that he may excell all others in his attainments. 1

इध्मं यसे जभरच्छ्रमाणो महो अग्निं अनीकमा संपर्यव ।
 स इधानः प्रति दोषामुषासं पुष्यन्नयि संचते घ्नन्नमित्रान् ॥२॥
 अग्निरीशो बृहत् क्षत्रियंस्मामिर्वाजस्य परमस्य रायः ।
 दधाति रत्नं विधत्ते यविष्ठो व्यानुपद्वात्यय - स्वधावान् ॥३॥

idhmām yās te jabhā-
 rac chaṣramāṇó mahó agne ánikam á saparyán | sá idhā-
 nāḥ práti doṣhām ushāsam púshyan rayím sacate ghnānn
 amítrān || 2 || agnír iṣe bṛihatāḥ kshatṛíyasāgnír vājasya
 paramásya rāyāḥ | dádhāti rātnam vidhaté yáviṣṭho vy
 ānushān mārtyāya svadhāvān || 3 ||

यच्चिदि ते पुरुषत्रा यविष्ठाचित्तिभिश्चक्रमा कच्चिदागः ।
 कृधी प्वस्माँ अदितेरनागान्वेनामि शिश्रथो विष्वग्ने ॥४॥
 महश्चिदस एनसो अभीक उर्वद्देवानामुत मर्त्यानाम् ।
 मा ते सखायः सद्मिद्रिषाम् यच्छा तोकाय तनयाय शं योः ॥५॥
 यथा ह त्वद्देवो गौर्यं चित्पदि पिताममुञ्चता यजत्राः ।
 एवो प्वस्मन्मुञ्चता व्यंहः प्र तार्यमे प्रतुरं न आयुः ॥६॥

yác cid' dhí te puruṣha-
 trá yaviṣṭhácittibhiṣ cakṛimá kác cid' āgaḥ | kṛidhí shv
 āsmāñ áditer ánāgān vy énānsi ṣiṣratho víshvag agne
 || 4 || mahāṣ cid agna énaso abhíka ūrvád devānām utá
 mārtyānām | má te sákhāyaḥ sádām íd rishāma yáchā to-
 káya tánayāya śap̄ yóḥ || 5 || yáthā ha tyád vasavo gau-
 ryām eit padí shitām āmuñcatā yajatrāḥ | evó shv āsmán
 muñcatā vy āñhaḥ prá tāry agne pratarāṁ na āyuh ||
 6 ||

O adorable, mighty and glorious Lord, whosoever serving diligently offers you oblations and who invokes you, just as the sacrificial fire is kindled in the evening and at dawn, may he be prosperous, and may he be able to destroy his enemies, and acquire riches. 2

Adorable Lord is the possessor of sublime strength nourishing food and other riches. He is ever young, ever inspiring and self-sustained. He gives to the mortal devotee precious treasures according to his merit. 3

O adorable, ever young Lord, whatever sin through folly, we, as human beings, have committed against you, make us free from that. In sight of Mother Infinity, O Lord, may you efface entirely our offences. 4

O adorable Lord, we are your devoted friends. Let us not ever suffer harm from any great or comprehensive offence against either Nature's divinities or mankind. May you bestow health and happiness upon our sons and grandsons. 5

O adorable bounteous divines, as you have been always liberating the bonded intellects, the same way set us free entirely from affliction; may our long life be further extended. 6

(१३) कपोदसं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्चस्वाख्यं सूक्तस्य गौतमो यामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निर्निष्क्रोता वा देवता । विष्णु उच्यते ॥

॥ १३ ॥

प्रत्यग्निरुषसामग्रमख्यद्विभातीनां सुमनां रत्नधेयम् ।
 यातमश्विना सुकृतौ दुरोणमुत्सूर्यो ज्योतिषा देव एति ॥ १ ॥
 ऊर्ध्वं भानुं सविता देवो अश्रेष्ठस्स दविध्वद्गविषो न सत्वा ।
 अनु व्रतं वरुणो यन्ति मित्रो यत्सूर्यं दिव्यांगेहयन्ति ॥ २ ॥
 यं सीमकृष्णन्तमसे विपृचे ध्रुवक्षेमा अनावस्यन्तो अर्थम् ।
 तं सूर्यं हरितः सप्त यद्धीः स्पशं विश्वस्य जगतो वहन्ति ॥ ३ ॥

13.

Praty agnir ushāsām āgram akhyad vibhātīnām sumānā
 ratnadhéyam | yātām asvinā sukrīto duronām ūt sūryo jyō-
 tishā devā eti || 1 || ūrdhvām bhānūṃ savitā devō aśre-
 drapsām dāvidhvaḥ gavishó ná sātva | ānu vratām vāruṇo
 yanti mitró yāt sūryam divy āroháyanti || 2 || yām sīm ākri-
 ṇvan tāmase viprīce dhruvākshemā ānavasyanto ārtham |
 tām sūryam haritaḥ sapta yabvī spāśam viśvasya jāgato
 vahanti || 3 ||

वहिष्ठिभिर्विहरन्त्यासि तन्तुमवव्ययन्नसितं देव वरम् ।
 दविध्वतो रश्मयः सूर्यस्य चर्मैवावाधुस्तमो अप्सवन्तः ॥ ४ ॥
 अनायतो अर्निवद्धः कथायं न्यङ्कुत्तानोऽयं पद्यते न ।
 कयो याति स्वधया को ददर्श दिवः स्कम्भः समृतः पति नार्कम् ॥ ५ ॥

vāhishṭhebbhir viháran yāsi tāntun avavyáyann
 āsitam deva vāsma | dāvidhivato raśmāyaḥ sūryasya cārme-
 vāvādhus tāmō apsv āntāḥ || 4 || ānāyato ānibaddhab katbā-
 yām nyāññ uttānó 'va padyate ná | kāyā yāti svadhāyā kó
 dadarśa divā skambhāb sāmritaḥ pāti nākam || 5 ||

Benevolent cosmic fire manifests its radiance by bestowing its constant light to the resplendent dawns; proceed, O pair of twin divines (wind and lightning), to the homes of the pious worshippers. The divine sun is rising with his splendour. 1

Like a vigorous bull arden for the cow, the divine sun diffuses his light on high, dispersing the dew. Then cosmic forces, such as cosmic light and plasma, and other divinities hasten to perform their function while the sun is ascending in the sky. 2

Seven great coursers convey the sun, the animator of the whole world. Then cosmic forces, occupants of enduring regions, diligently perform their assigned functions, for driving away darkness from the world. 3

O radiant sun, you proceed with most powerful horses, spreading your web of rays, and cutting down the black mantle of night. The tremulous rays of the sun throw off the darkness, which is spread like a skin over the mid-region. 4

How is it that the unbound and unsupported sun does not fall, although directed downwards ? By which self-sustenance does he moves ? Who has really seen him, who guards the vault of heaven, as if a close-set pillar ? 5

(१४) चतुर्दशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्वत्स्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । अग्निर्विद्वांता वा देवताः । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥ १ ॥

प्रत्यग्निरुषसो जातवेदा अर्यवेदेवो रोचमाना महोभिः ।
 आ नासत्योरुगाया रथेनमे यज्ञमुषं नो यातमच्छे ॥१॥
 ऊर्ध्वं केतुं सविता देवो अश्रेज्योतिर्विधम्भे भुवनाय कृष्यन् ।
 आप्रा व्यावापृथिवी अन्तरिक्षं वि सूर्यो रश्मिभिश्चेकितानः ॥२॥

14.

Práty agnir ushásō jātāvedā ákhyad devó rócamānā
 máhobhiḥ | á nāsatyorugāyā rāthenemām yajñām ūpa no
 yātam ácha || 1 || ūrdhvām ketum savitā devó aṣrej jyótir
 víśvasmai bhúvanāya kṛiṇvān | āpra dyāvāpṛithivī antári-
 kṣhaṁ ví sūryo raśmíbbhiḥ cékitānaḥ || 2 ||

आवहन्त्यरुणीज्योतिषागान्मही चित्रा रश्मिभिश्चेकिताना ।
 प्रवोध्यन्ती सुविताय देव्युषा ईयते सुयुजा रथेन ॥३॥
 आ वां वहिष्ठा इह ते वहन्तु रथा अश्वास उपसो व्युष्टौ ।
 इमे हि वां मधुपेयाय सोमा अस्मिन्यज्ञे वृषणा मादयेधाम ॥४॥
 अनायतो अनिवद्धः कथायं न्यहुत्तानोऽयं पथते न ।
 कया याति स्वधया को ददर्श दिवः स्कम्भः समृतः पाति नाकम् ॥५॥

āvāhanty aru-
 nīr jyótishágān mahī citrá raśmíbbhiḥ cékitānā | prabodhā-
 yantī suvitāya devy ūshā iyate suyújā rāthēna || 3 || á vām
 váhishṭhā ihá té vahantu ráthā áśvāsa ushásō vyūshṭau |
 imé hí vām madhupéyāya sómā asmín yajñē vṛiṣhaṇā mā-
 dayethām || 4 || ánāyato — || 5 ||

The resplendent fire-divine, by whom all is known, manifests dawns, radiant with lustre. Come with your chariot, O widely travelling non-ephimara twins, to our place of worship. 1

The divine creator displays his banner on high, illuminating the entire creation. Making his presence effective, the sun has filled the firmament, the earth and heaven with his rays. 2

The great and intelligent dawn, variegated with many coloured rays of purple tint, bringing opulence, has come with her lustre. The divine dawn, awaking men, proceeds with her well-harnessed chariot to bestow happiness. 3

May those robust and active horses and chariot bring you (O pair of divines, the morning breeze and morning light) hither, at the breaking of the dawn, and may these morning splendours delight you at our places of work and worship. 4

How is it that the unbound and unsupported sun does not fall, although directed downward ? By which self-sustenance does he move ? Who has really seen him, who guards the vault of heaven, as if a close-set pillar. 5

(१५) पञ्चदश सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्चस्यान्त्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-६) प्रथमादिषट्शुक्तामग्निः (७-८) सप्तस्यष्टम्योः साहदेव्यः सोमकः (९-१०) नवमीदशज्योः धार्मिनी देवताः । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥१५॥ अग्निर्होता नो अध्वरे वाजी सन्परिणीयते । देवो देवेषु यज्ञियः ॥१॥
 परि त्रिविष्टपध्वरं यात्यग्नी रथीरिव । आ देवेषु प्रयो दधत् ॥२॥
 परि वाजपतिः कविरग्निर्हव्यान्यक्रमीत् । दधद्भानानि दाक्षुषे ॥३॥
 अयं यः सृज्ये पुरो दैववाते समिध्यते । द्युमां अमित्रदम्भनः ॥४॥
 अस्य चा वीर ईवतोऽभेरीशीत् मर्त्यः । त्रिगमजम्भस्य मीळहृषः ॥५॥

15.

Agnīr hōtā no adhvaré vājī sán pári ṇiyate | devó devēshu yajñīyah || 1 || pári trivishty ādhvarám yāty agnī rathīr iva | ā devēshu prāyo dādhat || 2 || pári vājapatih kavīr agnīr havyanāny akramīt | dādhat rātnāni dāśúshe || 3 || ayám yāḥ sṛñjaye puró daivavāté samidhyāte | dyumāñ amitrādāmbhanah || 4 || āsya ghā vīrā ívato 'gnér īṣīta mārtyah | tigmājambhasya mīlūśah || 5 ||

॥१६॥ तमर्धन्ते न सानसिमरुषं न दिवः शिशुम् । समृज्यन्ते दिवेदिवे ॥६॥
 बोधयन्मा हरिभ्यां कुमारः साहदेव्यः । अच्छा न हूत उदरम् ॥७॥
 उत त्या यंजता हरी कुमारत्साहदेव्यात् । प्रयता सद्य आ ददे ॥८॥

tām ārvantam ná sānasīm arushāṃ ná divāḥ śīṣam | marmrijyānte divé-dive || 6 || bódhat yān mā hāribhyāṃ kumārāḥ sāhadevyāḥ | āchā ná hūtá úd aram || 7 || utā tyā yajatā hārī kumārāt sāhadevyāt | prāyatā sadyā ā dade || 8 ||

The fire of the altar, the herald like a horse, and most illuminating amidst all luminaries is brought to our place of ceremony. 1

The fire is brought to our place of ceremonial altar; thrice a day it carries the essence of the oblation to the environmental Nature's bounties with swiftness of the charioteer. 2

This sage, fire of the altar, the source of strength, encompasses the essences of oblation, giving precious boons to the offerer. 3

This resplendent fire of the altar, the subduer of foes, is kindled in the east as has been always kindled for the victories performed by enlightened devotees. 4

That mortal becomes hero, who strenuously worships this fire of the altar, the possessor of sharp flames and bounteous. 5

They, the devotees, diligently serve him day to day, as they clean a horse. He is liberal and resplendent as the child of heaven. 6

When fire, most youthful among sub-natural forces, along with fast-moving twins (wind and light), assures me its help and summons me, I do not decline. 7

I immediately accept the favour of those two excellent and well-trained twins, the associates of the spiritual fire, most youthful among sub-natural forces. 8

एष वाँ देवावश्विना कुमारः साहदेव्यः । दीर्घायुरस्तु सोमकः ॥९॥
तं युवं देवावश्विना कुमारं साहदेव्यम् । दीर्घायुषं कृणोतन ॥१०॥

eshā vām devāv aṣvinā kumārāḥ sāhadevyāḥ | dīrghā-
yur astu sōmakah || 9 || tāṁ yuvām devāv aṣvinā kumārāṇi
sāhadevyām | dīrghāyusham kṛṇotana || 10 ||

(१६) षोडशं सूक्तम्

(१-२१) एकविंशत्युक्त्वास्तस्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । विष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥१०॥ आ सत्यो यातु मघवाँ क्रिजीषी द्रवन्त्वस्य हरय उप नः ।
तस्मा इदन्धः सुषुमा सुदक्षमिहाभिपित्वं करते गृणानः ॥१॥
अयं स्य शुराध्वनो नान्तेऽस्मिन्नो अय सर्वने मन्दधै ।
शंसोत्युक्थमुशनेव वेधाश्चिक्नुषे असुर्याय मन्म ॥२॥
कविर्न निष्यं विदधानि साधन्वृषा यत्सेकं विपिपानो अचीत ।
दिव इत्था जीजनत्सप्त कारुनह्ला चिचकुर्वयुना गृणन्तः ॥३॥
स्वयदेदि सुदृशीकमर्कर्महि ज्योती रुरुच्यद वस्तीः ।
अन्धा तमांसि दुधिता विचक्षे नृभ्यश्चकार नृतेमो अभिष्टौ ॥४॥

16.

Ā satyó yātu maghávāñ ṛijīshī drávantv asya hāraya
úpa naḥ | tásmā íd ándhaḥ sushumā sudáksham ihábhipi-
tvām karate gṛṇānāḥ || 1 || áva sya śūrādhyano nānte 'smín
no adyá sávane mandádhyai | śánsāty ukthām uśáneva ve-
dhás eikitúshe asuryāya mánma || 2 || kavir ná ninyām ví-
dāthāni sádhan vṛishā yát sékaṁ vivipānó árcāt | divá itthā
jījanat saptá kārún áhnā cie eakrur vayúnā gṛṇāntaḥ || 3 ||
svār yád védi sudrīśikam arkaír máhi jyóti ruruenr yád
dha vástoḥ | andhā támāñsi dúdhitā vicáksho nṛibhyaḥ ca-
kāra nṛítamo abhíshṭau || 4 ||

O twin-divines, may this spiritual fire, most youthful among sub-natural forces be gladdening and of long durability. 9

O twin-divines, may this spiritual fire, most youthful among sub-natural forces long live. 10

16

O ever true, ever righteous, bounteous Lord, may you come to us. May your blessings hasten to us. To Him we surrender our worldly possessions. When sincerely praised, He fulfils all our aspirations. 1

O brave resplendent Lord, allow us to delight you at the end of this worship. May the worshipper repeat an agreeable prayer, to you, the all-wise, the destroyer of infidels, like the brilliant pious sage. 2

Like a sage, knowing the secret of wisdom, and who performs all sacred ceremonies, the resplendent sun drinking copiously the effused herbal essence, exults in the draughts, and thus generates the seven rays from celestial regions. Then devotees perform their duties in the light of day. 3

When the vast luminous heaven, manifested by the rays of light, is displayed, then homes of men also shine at the break of morning. He, the illustrious leader—the sun, having risen scatters thick gloom, so that men may see clearly. 4

ववक्ष इन्द्रो अमितमृजीष्युभि आ पप्रौ रोदसी महित्वा ।
अतश्चिदस्य महिमा वि रेच्यभि यो विश्वा भुवना बभूव ॥५॥

vavakshā indro ámitam řijishy
ūbhé ā paprau ródasī mahitvá | átaṣ eid asya mahimā ví
reecy abhí yó víśvā bhūvanā babhúva || 5 ||

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विश्वानि शक्रो नर्याणि विद्वानपो रिरिच सखिभिर्निकामैः ।
अश्मानं चिद्ये विभिर्दुर्वचोभिर्भ्रजं गोमन्तमुज्जितो वि वव्रुः ॥६॥
अपो वृत्रं वव्रिवांसं पराहन्प्रावत्ते वज्रं पृथिवी सचेताः ।
प्राणींसि समुद्रियाण्येनोः पतिर्भवञ्छवसा शूर धृष्णो ॥७॥
अपो यदद्रिं पुरुहूत ददौरविर्भुवत्सर्मा पृथ्वं ते ।
स नो नेता वाज्रमा दर्षि भूरिं गोत्रा रुजन्नङ्गिरोभिर्गृणानः ॥८॥
अच्छा क्विं नृमणो गा अभिष्टो स्वर्षता मघवन्नाथमानम् ।
ऊतिभिस्तमिषणो युन्नहृतो नि मायावानब्रह्मा दस्युरते ॥९॥
आ दस्युघ्ना मनसा याह्यस्तं भुवत्ते कुत्सः सख्ये निकामः ।
स्वे योनो नि पदत्तं सरूपा वि वा चिकित्सदत्तचिद् नारी ॥१०॥

víśvāni śakró náryāṇi vidvān apó rirēca sákhibhir ní-
kāmaih | áśmānam eid yé bibhidúr vácobhir vrajām gó-
mantam uṣījo ví vavruḥ || 6 || apó vřitrām vavrivānsam pá-
rāhan prāvat te vājram pṛithiví sáacetāḥ | prārñāṁsi samu-
dríyāṇy ainoh pátir bhávañ chávasā śūra dhṛishṇo || 7 ||
apó yád ádrim puruhūta dārdar āvír bhuvat sarāmā pūr-
vyām te | sá no netá vājam ā darshi bhúrim gotrá rujānn
āṅgirobhir gṛiṇānāḥ || 8 || áchā kavīm nṛimaṇo gā abhíshtau
svārshātā maghavan nādhmānam | ūtibhis tám ishāṇo dñ-
mnábūtau ní māvāvān ábrahmā dásyur arta || 9 || ā dasyu-
ghná mánasā yāhy ástam bhúvat te kútsaḥ sakhyé níkā-
mah | své yónau ní shadatam sārūpā ví vām cikitsad řita-
eid dha nārī || 10 ||

Resplendent sun, who relishes the effused saps of plant juices, sustains infinite greatness and with his vastness fills earth and heaven. And beyond this, his majesty extends in magnitude. 5

The radiant sun, knowing all human actions, has let loose the waters, in association with his friends—the cloud bearing winds. They with their loud shouts cleave even the clouds open and desiring to fulfil their work, take over the control of pastures of cattle. 6

Your protecting thunder-bolt destroys the dark clouds, obstructing the flow of waters; the conscious earth co-operates with you. O valiant hero, preserver of the earth, may you through your power, send down the waters of the firmament. 7

Invoked by all, when you divide the obstructing clouds of ignorance sending rain water down, the dawn of wisdom makes her appearance. And you, glorified by fire-priests, the granter of abundant food, shows us favour, breaking open the cluster of clouds. 8

O bounteous Lord, friend of men, the sage, come to the devotee for bestowing wealth, who solicits your aid in contest for sun-light. May you speed him with help in his inspired invoking, and defeat the purposes of guileful wicked outlaws. 9

May you come to us resolving to destroy the outlaws. The wise sage is eager to win your friendship. Now alike in form, you both (wicked and virtuous) sit in the same dwelling. And the lady (the intellect) finds it difficult to have her choice between the two. 10

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यामि कुत्सेन सरथमवस्युस्तोदो वातस्य हार्योरीशानः ।
 कृत्रा वाजं न गध्वं युयुषन्कविर्यदहन्पार्याय भृषात् ॥११॥
 कुत्साय शुष्णमशुषं नि बर्हीः प्रपित्वे अह्नः कुयवं सहस्रा ।
 सद्यो दस्युन्प्र मृण कुत्सेन प्र सूरश्वकं वृहतादुभीकं ॥१२॥
 त्वं पिप्रुं मृगयं शुशुवांसमृजिष्वने वैदथिनाय रन्धीः ।
 पञ्चाशत्कृष्णा नि वधः सहस्रात्कं न पुरो जरिमा वि दर्दः ॥१३॥
 सूर उपाके तन्वं दधानो वि यत्ते चेत्यमृतस्य वर्षः ।
 मृगो न हस्ती तविषीमुषाणः सिंहो न भीम आयुधाति विज्रत् ॥१४॥
 इन्द्रं कामा वसुयन्तो अगमन्त्वर्मीळहे न सवने चकानाः ।
 श्रवस्वधः शशमानाम उक्थैरोको न रण्वा सुद्रीशिव पुष्टिः ॥१५॥

yāsi kútsena sarātham avasyūs todó vātasya háryor íśā-
 nah | řijrā vājam ná gádhyam yúyūshan kavír yád áhan
 páryāya bhúshāt || 11 || kútsāya śuśhṇam aśuśham ní barhīḥ
 prapitvé álmah kúyavam sahásrā | sadyó dásyūn prá mṛiṇa
 kutsyēna prá sūraś cakráṃ vṛihatād abhīke || 12 || tvám
 píprum mṛigayam śūśuvāṁsam řijīšvane vaidathináya ran-
 dhīḥ | pañcāśāt kṛishṇā ní vapah sahásrátkam ná puro ja-
 rimā ví dardah || 13 || sūra upāké tanvām dádhdhāno ví yát
 te céty amṛítasya vārpah | mṛigó ná hastí távishīm ushānāḥ
 sínhó ná bhímā áyudhāni bíbhrat || 14 || índram kāmā vasū-
 yānto agman svārmilhe ná sāvane cakanāḥ | śravasyā-
 vah śaśamānása ukthair óko ná raṇvā sudrīśīva pushtīḥ
 || 15 ||

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तमिद्र इन्द्रं सुहवं हुवेम यस्ता चकार नर्या पुरुणि ।
 यो मार्यते जरित्रे गध्वं चिन्मधू वाजं भरति स्पार्हरीधाः ॥१६॥

tām íd va índram suhávam huvema yás tá cakára ná-
 ryā purīṇi | yó mávate jaritré gádhyam ein makshú vājam
 bhárati spārhárādhāḥ || 16 ||

On the day when discriminating mind prepares to cross over the sea of perturbation, you, the destroyer of evil forces, yoke your straight-going powerful wind-like speedy steeds (sense organs) to the chariot (of body) and take the disturbed mind along with you to defend him. 11

For the protection of disturbed discriminating mind, you destroy the powerful devil of pettiness, and in the very start of the day thousands of longings and lingerings and with your adamant determination, you instantly lay off the rest of the evil tendencies and with the solar wheel, cut them to pieces in the struggle. 12

You subjugate egoistic and extremely violent destructive forces for the sake of righteous and disciplined pious men. You destroy the fifty thousand (innumerable) other dark forces, and, as age consumes garments, you demolish the strongholds of law-breakers. 13

While you set in proximity of the sun, your form, immortal one, seems expanding and you look like a mighty wild elephant; and when you wield your weapon, you are like a terrible lion, capable of consuming the strength of strong foes. 14

In the struggle of life, as if shining in battle, relying upon resplendent Lord for protection, desirous of riches, and food, (the devoted ones) approach Him, for the Lord is the refuge of His worshippers, and is the semblance of the lovely maiden of nutrition. 15

Let us invoke that gracious resplendent Lord, who does so much for the benefit of man; who, bestowing enviable opulence, quickly grants agreeable food to a worshipper like myself. 16

तिग्मा यदन्तराक्षनिः पताति कस्मिन्निच्छुर मुहुके जनानाम् ।
 घोरा यदर्थं समृतिर्भवत्यर्थं सा तस्तन्वा वोधि गोपाः ॥१७॥
 भुवोऽविता वामदेवस्य धीनां भुवः सत्वावृको वाजसातो ।
 त्वामनु प्रमतिमा जगन्मोक्षंसी जरित्रे विश्वधं स्याः ॥१८॥
 एभिर्नृभिर्न्द्र त्वायुभिर्द्रा मघवद्भिर्मघवन्विश्वं आजौ ।
 द्यावो न द्युञ्जेरनि सन्तो अर्यः क्षपो मदेम शरदश्च पूर्वाः ॥१९॥

tigmā yád antár aśāniḥ pātāti
 kásmiṇ eie ehūra muhuké jānānām | ghorā yád arya sámri-
 tir bhāvāty ádha smā nas tanvò bodhi gopāḥ || 17 || bhúvo
 'vitā vāmádevasya dhinām bhúvaḥ sákhāvṛikó vājasātau |
 tvām ānu prāmatim á jaganmorasaṁso jaritré viśvādha syāḥ
 || 18 || eblír nṛibhir indra tvāyúbhish ṭvā maghāvadbhir ma-
 ghavan viśva ājaú | dyávo ná dyumnair abhi sánto aryāḥ
 kshapó madema śaradaṣ ca pūrvāḥ || 19 ||

एवेदिन्द्राय वृषभाय वृष्णे ब्रह्माकर्म भृगवो न रथम् ।
 नू चिद्यथा नः सख्या विथोषदसन्न उग्रोऽविता तनुपाः ॥२०॥
 नू द्रुत इन्द्र नू गृणान इषं जरित्रे नद्योऽ न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया स्याम रथ्यः सदासाः ॥२१॥

evéd indrāya vṛi-
 shabhāya vṛishṇe brāhmākarma bhrīgavo ná rātham | nū
 cid yáthā naḥ sakhyā viyóshad ásan na ugrò 'vitā tanu-
 pāḥ || 20 || nū shtutá indra nū gṛiṇāná ísham jaritré nadyò
 ná pīpeḥ | ákāri te harivo brāhma nāvyaṁ dhiyā syāma
 rathyāḥ sadāsāḥ || 21 ||

O resplendent Lord, when in any conflict of men, the calamity like a sharp pointed arrow falls in the midst of them, and when, O Lord, there is a terrible encounter among them, then, may you be the defender of our persons. 17

May you be the preserver of the pious acts of charming intellectuals; may you be an unfailing friend in the battle of their lives. O eminently wise Lord, we come to you; may you be ever benignant to your worshippers, O sustainer of the world. 18

O bounteous resplendent Lord, may we, in every conflict of life, along with those men, who trust in you and offer rich gifts, and those who are abundantly rich, triumph over our adversaries and glorify you many nights and years. 19

Now, just like a genius person constructs his car, in the same manner we fashion our prayers for the vigorous resplendent Lord, the showerer of benefits, so that He may never withdraw from us His friendly favours and may ever remain powerful protector of our persons. 20

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshippers as rivers swell high and give water. O Lord of vital forces, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, the car-bornes, be victors for ever. 21

(१७) लघुश्रुति सूक्तम्

(१-२१) एकविंशत्युत्पत्त्यास्य सुकृत्य गीतमो वानदेव कथि । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-१७, १६-२१)

प्रथमादिचतुर्दशार्वा षोडश्यादिपञ्चाश विदुषः, (१५) पञ्चदश्याध्वनया विष्टाः कन्दर्वाः ॥

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त्वं महीं ईन्द्र तुभ्यं ह क्षा अनु इष्य मंहना मन्यत द्यौः ।

त्वं वृत्रं शर्वसा जघन्वान्मृजः सिन्धूरहिना जगन्मानान् ॥१॥

तयं त्विषो जनिमन्त्रेजत यो रेजद्भूमिभियाना स्वस्य मन्योः ।

ऋचायन्ते सुम्यः पर्वतासु आर्दन्ध्रान्वाणि सरयन्ते आपः ॥२॥

भिनद्गिरिं शर्वसा वज्रमिष्णन्नाविष्कृण्वानः सहसान् ओजः ।

वर्धाद्वृत्रं वज्रेण मन्दमानः सरज्ञाशे जवंसा हतवृष्णाः ॥३॥

17.

Tvám mahāñ indra tubhyam ha kshā ānu kshatrām
 mañhānā manyata dyaūḥ | tvám vṛitrām śavasā jaghanvān
 srijāḥ sīndhūñr āhinā jagrasānān || 1 || tāva tvishó jāniman
 rejata dyaú réjad bhūmir bhiyāsā svāsya manyóḥ | ṛighā-
 yānta subhvāḥ párvatāsa árdan dhānvāni saráyanta āpaḥ
 || 2 || bhinád girīm śavasā vājram ishñānn āvishkṛiṇvānāḥ
 sahasāná ójah | vādhīd vṛitrām vājreṇa mandasānāḥ sārann
 āpo jávasā hatāvṛishñiḥ || 3 ||

सुवीरस्ते जनिता मन्यत यौरिन्द्रस्य कर्ता स्वपस्तमो भूत ।

य ई जजाने स्वयं सुवज्रमनपच्युतं सदसो न भूमं ॥१॥

य एक इच्छ्यावयति प्र भूमा राजा कृष्टिनां पुरुहूत इन्द्रः ।

सुत्वमेनमनु विश्वे मदन्ति रतिं देवस्य गृणतो मघोनः ॥२॥

suvīras te janitā manyata

dyaūr indrasya kartā svāpastamo bhūt | yā īm jajāna svar-
 yām suvājram ānapacyutam sādaso nā bhūma || 4 || yā éka
 ie cyāváyati prá bhúmā rájá kṛishṭīnām puruhūtá indrah |
 satyām enam ānu víṣve madanti rátīm devásya grīnató ma-
 ghónah || 5 ||

Great are you, O resplendent self, the earthly body and the illuminated mind accept your superiority. You by your vigour destroy evils and set free the streams of noble thoughts from the clutches of dragon of evil desires. 1

On your awakening, the earthly body and mind tremble through fear of your wrath; the mighty mountains of sin get shaky; the stream of free thoughts flow through the arid land (barren mind). 2

The subduer of foes, manifesting his energy and hurling his adamantine will power, shatters the mountain of darkness by his strength; he in exhilaration lays off evil forces with the bolt of his will, and the thoughts, whose obstructor was destroyed, rush forth with rapidity. 3

You are the progenitor of your grandeur like the sun of his own effulgence. May you, resplendent self, be the accomplisher of a most excellent work; you furnish yourself with undecaying adamantine will power for attaining happiness. Indeed you are endowed with supreme greatness. 4

He is sovereign king of men and adored by all, who alone casts down many evils. All godly men, speak high of the munificence of this divine and bounteous self. 5

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सुत्रा सोमा अभवन्नस्य विश्वे सुत्रा मदासो बृहतो मदिष्ठाः ।
 सुत्राभवो वसुपतिर्वसूनां दत्त्रे विश्वा अधिधा इन्द्र कृष्टाः ॥६॥
 त्वमघं प्रथमं जायमानोऽमे विश्वा अधिधा इन्द्र कृष्टाः ।
 त्वं प्रति प्रवत आशयानुमहि वज्रेण मघवन्वि वृध्वः ॥७॥
 सुत्राहणं दाष्टृषि तुम्रमिन्द्रं महामपारं वृषभं सुवज्रम् ।
 हन्ता यो वृत्रं सनितोत वाजं दाता मघानि मघवा सुराधाः ॥८॥
 अयं वृत्तश्चातयते समीचीर्य आजिषु मघवा शृण्व एकः ।
 अयं वाजै भरति यं सनोत्यस्य प्रियासः सख्ये स्याम ॥९॥
 अयं शृण्वे अघ जयन्नुत व्रज्यमुत प्र कृणुते युधा गाः ।
 यदा सत्यं कृणुते मन्युमिन्द्रो विश्वं दृढहं भयत एजदस्मात् ॥१०॥

satrā sómā abhavann asya víṣve satrá mādāso bṛiható
 mādishṭhāḥ | satrábhavo vásupatir vásūnām dátre víṣvā
 adhithā indra kṛishṭīḥ || 6 || tvām ádha prathamām jáya-
 mānó 'me víṣvā adhithā indra kṛishṭīḥ | tvām prāti pra-
 váta āśáyānam áhiṃ vājreṇa maghavan ví vṛiṣeah || 7 || sa-
 trābhāṇam dádbṛishim túmram índram mahām apārām vṛi-
 shabhām suvájram | hántā yó vṛitrām sánitotá vājam dátā
 maghāni maghávā surádhāḥ || 8 || ayām vṛitas cātayate sa-
 mícir yá ājishu maghávā ṣṛiṇvá ékah | ayām vājam bharati
 yām sanóty asyá priyāsah sakhyé syāma || 9 || ayām ṣṛinve
 ádha jáyann utá ghnānn ayām utá prá kṛiṇute yudhá gáh |
 yadá satyām kṛiṇuté manyúm índro víṣvaṃ dṛiḥhām bha-
 yata éjad asmāt || 10 ||

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समिन्द्रो गा अजयत्सं हिरण्या समश्चिया मघवा यो ह पूर्वीः ।
 पुभिर्नुभिर्नुतमो अस्य शाकै रायो विभक्ता सभरश्च वस्वः ॥११॥

sám índro gá ajayat sám hīraṇyā sám aṣviyā maghávā
 yó ha pūrvīḥ | ebhír nṛibhir nṛitamo asya śākai rāyó vi-
 bhaktā sambharāś ca vásvaḥ || 11 ||

Truly, he deserves all loving devotion; all these exhilarating experiences are centred in the mighty soul. Indeed you are the Lord of treasures; you support all people devoted to cultivation and reward them with riches. 6

O resplendent self, as soon as you enter body, you strike terror into all the other physical forces; you strike with your adamant will power, the dragon of sinful mind, who obstructs the flow of divine thoughts. 7

We praise the one who is destroyer of untruth by truth, the courageous, the inspirer, the great, the unbounded, the showerer of benefits, the wielder of the adamant will power and who is the destroyer of the devil of ignorance, the bestower of food, the giver of wealth, bounteous and the possessor of treasures. 8

This bounteous soul alone enlightens the ignorant, and sustains right type of desires; in the inner struggles he procures nourishment which he provides. May we be held dear in his friendship. 9

This soul is renowned, whether conquering or slaying evils or whether in conflicts, he recovers wisdom. When he shows his wrath, all that is stationary or movable is afraid of him. 10

The resplendent self, the Lord of opulence, completely recovers the cow of wisdom, prosperity, and vitality. With all his vigour, he is the chief leader. Praised by all his worshippers, he distributes riches, still with his treasures full. 11

किर्यत्स्विन्द्रो अर्धेति मातुः किर्यत्पितुर्जनितुर्यो जजान ।
 यो अस्य शुष्मं सुहृदैर्यति वातो न जूतः स्तनयद्विभ्रः ॥१२॥
 क्षियन्तं त्वमक्षियन्तं कृणोतीर्यति रेणुं मधवा समोहम् ।
 विभुज्जनुरशनिमौ इव योदत स्तोतारं मधवा वसौ धात ॥१३॥
 अयं चक्रमिषणत्सूर्यस्य न्येनशं रीरमत्ससृमाणम् ।
 आ कृष्ण ई जुहुराणो जिघर्ति त्वचो बुधे रजसो अस्य योनी ॥१४॥
 असिकन्यां यजमानो न होता ॥१५॥

kiyat svid indro ádhy

eti mātúh kiyat pitúr janitúr yó jajána | yó asya śúshmam
 mubukaír iyarti vāto ná jūtá stanáyadbhir abhraih || 12 ||
 kshiyántam tvam ákshiyantam kṛiṇotíyarti reṇúm maghávā
 samóham | vibhañjanúr aśanimāñ iva dyaúr utá stotáram
 maghávā vásau dhāt || 13 || ayám cakráṁ ishāṇat sūryasya
 ny étaṣam rīramat sasṛimāṇám | á kṛiṣṇá īm juburāṇō ji-
 gharti tvacó budhné rájaso asyá yónau || 14 || ásiknyām
 yájamāno ná hótā || 15 ||

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गव्यन्त इन्द्रं सख्याया विप्रा अश्वयान्तो वृषणं वाजयन्तः ।
 जनीयन्तो जनिदामक्षितोतिमा च्यावयामोऽवते न कोशम् ॥१६॥
 त्राता नो बोधि ददृशान आपिरभिर्याता मर्दिता सोम्यानाम् ।
 सखा पिता पितृन्तमः पितृणां कर्तॄन् लोकमुशते वयोधाः ॥१७॥
 सखीयतामत्रिणा बोधि सखा गृणान इन्द्र स्तुवते वयो धाः ।
 वयं ह्य ते चक्रमा सबाध आभिः शमीभिर्महयन्त इन्द्र ॥१८॥

gavyánta indraṁ sakhyāya viprā aśvāyānto vṛiṣhaṇam
 vājāyantah | janiyānto janidām ákshitotim á cyāvayāmo
 'vaté ná kōṣam || 16 || trātā no bodhi dādṛiṣāna āpír abhi-
 khyātā marditā somyānām | sákhā pitā pitṛítamaḥ pitṛiṇām
 kártem u lokám uṣaté vayodhāḥ || 17 || sakhiyatām avitā
 bodhi sákhā gṛiṇānā indra stuvaté váyo dhāḥ | vayám hy
 á te cakrimā sabādha ābhīḥ sámibhir maháyanta indra

Some portion of his strength, the self derives from mother (physical realm); and from his father (spiritual realm). He, the supreme progenitor, has created the world and animates its vigour repeatedly as the wind is animated by thundering clouds (mental realm). 12

You are the bounteous one, who makes destitute prosperous, who scatters from his worshipper the accumulated dust of sin. He is the destroyer of evils, like the lightning of cloud. He is bounteous, who enriches the devotee. 13

He urges forward the wheel of intellect—the sun, source of illumination, and stops horses of vital senses in inner conflicts. The dark undulating clouds of physical form keep the self, the root of radiance, within the inner-space (between mental and physical realms). 14

Like the worshipper, the householder, at night (rejoicing whilst performing daily duties). 15

May we who are wishing for cows, for horses, for nourishment and for women through his friendship induce the inner self, the showerer of benefits, the giver of wives (or mothers), the unwearied granter of protection, to come down, as a bucket is lowered into a well. 16

May you be our preserver, watching and blessing all and bestowing felicity on those who are worthy and offer libations. May you be a friend, a sire, most fatherly of fathers, giver of food, bestowing heavenly bliss upon him who desires it. 17

O resplendent self, may you regard yourself as a protector of those who seek your friendship. Be a friend deserving of commendation and grant food to him who praises you. Suffering difficulties, we make our supplications to you, glorifying you with these holy hymns. 18

स्तुत इन्द्रो मघवा यद् वृत्रा भूरीण्येको अप्रतीनि हन्ति ।
 अस्य प्रियो जरिता यस्य शर्मन्नकिंवा वारयन्ते न मर्ताः ॥१९॥
 एवा न इन्द्रो मघवा विरप्शी करत्सुत्वा चर्षणीधृदनुर्वा ।
 त्वं राजा जनुषां धेह्यस्मे अधि श्रवो माहिन् यजरित्रे ॥२०॥
 नृ द्रुत इन्द्र नृ गृणान इषं जरित्रे नयोऽं न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं ध्रिया स्वाम् मुख्यः सदासाः ॥२१॥

stutá índro magháva yád dha vṛitrā bhūriṇy éko
 apratīni hanti | asyá priyó jaritá yasya śarman nákir devá
 vārayante ná mártāḥ ॥ 19 ॥ evá na índro maghávā virapśī
 kárat satyā carshanīdhṛíd anarvā | tvám rájā janúshāṃ
 dhehy asmé ádhi grávo máhinam yaj jaritré ॥ 20 ॥ nū shtutá
 indra — ॥ 21 ॥

(१८) अष्टादशं सूक्तम्

(१-१३) प्रयोदशर्षयास्य सूक्तस्य (१) प्रथमर्षे इन्द्रः, (२-३, ४, ८-१३) द्वितीयातृतीययोश्चतुर्थ्याः
 पूर्वार्धस्याष्टम्याद्विषण्णाश्च गौतमो वामदेवः ऋषीः (४, ५-७) चतुर्थ्या उत्तरार्धस्य पञ्चम्याद्वि-
 त्वस्य चादितिक्रौञ्चिका । (१, ४, ५-७) प्रथमर्षे चतुर्थ्या उत्तरार्धस्य पञ्चम्याद्वित्वस्य
 च वामदेवः (२-३, ४, ८-१३) द्वितीयातृतीययोश्चतुर्थ्याः पूर्वार्धस्याष्टम्यादि-
 पण्णाद्येन्द्रो देवते । विष्णुः छन्दः ॥

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अयं पन्था अनुवित्तः पुराणो यतो देवा उदजायन्त विश्वे ।
 अतश्चिदा जनिषीष्ट प्रवृद्धो मा मातरममुया पत्तवै कः ॥१॥
 नाहमतो निरया दुर्गहेतत्तिरश्वता पार्श्वान्निर्गमाणि ।
 ब्रह्मन् मे अकृता कर्त्तवन्ति युध्यं त्वेन सं त्वेन पृच्छे ॥२॥

18.

Ayám pánthā ánuvittāḥ purāṇó yáto devá udájāyanta
 víṣve | átaṣ cid á janishīṣṭa prāvṛiddho má mātáram
 amuyá páttave kaḥ ॥ 1 ॥ nāhám áto nír ayā durgáhaitát
 tiraścátā pārsván nír gamāṇi | bahúni me ákṛitā kártvāni
 yúdhyaí tvena sám tvena prichai ॥ 2 ॥

When the opulent inner self is glorified, he singly destroys many unyielding formidable evils. That worshipper is dear to him, who relies on his protection. Neither Nature's forces nor men can molest him. 19

Only the possessor of manifold power and opulence, the sustainer of men, the irresistible self may truly fulfil our aspirations, as he is the divine ruler of our existence. May he grant abundant wealth and fame which is rightly due to a worshipper. 20

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper as rivers swell high and give water. O Lord of vital forces, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, the car-borne, be victors for ever. 21

18

This hymn deals with the first dawn of creation. Dialogue between Resplendent Lord, the creator, and the soul and the Mother Nature.

(Resplendent Lord) This is the ancient and accepted path, by which all divine luminaries come into existence. So, however mighty he be, let him (bonded individual soul) be born in the same manner; let him not injure, otherwise, the mother (the embryo of his mother). 1

(The individual self speaks) I shall not come forth by this path, for this passage is hard to break; let me come forth obliquely from the side. Many acts unperformed by others are to be accomplished by me; let me contend (in one life) with one opponent. 2

परायतीं मातरमन्वचष्ट न नानु गान्यन्तु नू गमानि ।
 त्वष्टुर्गृहे अपिबन्तोममिन्द्रः शतधन्यं चम्वोः सुतस्य ॥३॥
 किं स ऋधंकृणवयं सहस्रं मासो जभारं शरदश्च पूर्वीः ।
 नही न्वस्य प्रतिमानमस्त्वन्तर्जतेषुत ये जनित्वाः ॥४॥
 अवद्यमित्र मन्यमाना गुहाकरिन्द्रं माता वीर्येणा न्यूष्टम् ।
 अधोदस्थात्स्वयमत्कं वसान आ रोदसी अपृणाजयमानः ॥५॥

parāyatīm mātāram

ánv acashta ná nānu gāny ānu nū gamāni | tváshtur grihé
 apibat sómam índrah śatadhanyāṃ camvoh sutasya || 3 ||
 kíṃ sá řidhak kṛiṇavad yāṃ sahásram māsó jabhára śarā-
 daṣ ca pūrvīḥ | nahí nv āsya pratimānam ásty antár jāté-
 shūtá yé jánitvāḥ || 4 || avadyām iva mányamānā gúhākar
 índram mātá viryēnā nyřishtaṃ | áthód asthāt svayām
 átkam vásāna á ródasi aprīṇāj jáyamānaḥ || 5 ||

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पुता अर्षन्त्यललाभवन्तीर्ऋतावरीरिव संक्रोशमानाः ।
 पुता वि पृच्छु किमिदं भनन्ति कामापो अद्रिं परिधिं रुजन्ति ॥६॥
 किमु प्विदस्य निविदो भनन्तेन्द्रस्यावयं दिधिपन्त आपः ।
 ममेतान्पुत्रो महता वधेन वृत्रं जघन्वाँ अष्टजहि सिन्धूव ॥७॥
 ममचून त्वा युवतिः पुरासु ममचून त्वा कुषवा जुगारं ।
 ममचिदापः शिशवे ममृद्युर्ममचिदिन्द्रः सहस्रोदतिष्ठत् ॥८॥

etā arshanty alalābhāvantīr řitāvarīr iva saṃkróṣamā-
 nāḥ | etā ví pṛicha kíṃ idám bhananti kām āpo ádrim pa-
 ridhīm rujanti || 6 || kíṃ u shvid asmai nívído bhanantén-
 drasyāvadyām didhishanta āpaḥ | māmaitān putró mahatá
 vadhéna vṛitrāṃ jaghanvāñ asṛijad ví síndhūn || 7 || māmāc
 caná tvā yuvatīḥ parāsa māmāc caná tvā kushāvā jagāra |
 māmāc cid āpaḥ řīṣave mamṛidyur māmāc cid índrah sá-
 hasód atishthat || 8 ||

(Soul) It may cause the death of my mother; let me not proceed by the usual way, but proceed quickly, according to my will. In the nearness of creator, he enjoys the exhilaration of life in hundredfold ways. 3

(Mother Nature) What irregular act does he commit, whom, I, his mother, bear him (the impregnated life) for a thousand months and for many years? There is no analogy between him and those who have been or will be born hereafter. 4

Deeming it a strange act, his Mother Nature endowed him (the impregnated life) with extraordinary vigour; therefore, as soon as born, he assumes his vesture and fills both heaven and earth (physical and mental realms). 5

These rivers filled with water, flow whispering, as if, expressing the feeling of joy. Ask them to let you know what the streams of water, have been saying, what rocks they have been encircling and break through, whilst they move forward. 6

What do these prayful whispers speak to us? They speak of the glory of the resplendent Lord.

Resplendent Lord speaks : My son, the sun, destroys obstructing clouds with his mighty thunderbolt and sets those rivers free. 7

Resplendent Lord to the personified new born life : Once the exulting, youthful mother eternity has brought you in existence, while the unfavourable environments have tried to swallow you, but exulting waters provided delight to the infant, and once again the resplendent life has arisen by its innate strength. 8

ममञ्चन ते मघवन्व्यसो निविध्विष्यां अप हनू जघान ।
 अधा निविद्ध उत्तरो बभूवाञ्छिरो दासस्य सं पिणसधेन ॥९॥
 गृष्टिः संसूय स्थविरं तवागामनाधुष्यं वृषभं तुभ्रमिन्द्रम् ।
 अरीरुहं वत्सं चरथाय माता स्वयं गातुं तन्व इच्छमानम् ॥१०॥
 उत माता महिषमन्वेयेनदुमी त्वा जहति पुत्र देवाः ।
 अथाब्रवीद्वित्रमिन्द्रो हनिष्यन्त्सखे विष्णो वितरं वि क्रमस्व ॥११॥

māmae canā te maghavan vyāṁso ni-
 vividhvāñ āpa hānū jaghāna | ādhā nīviddha úttaro babhū-
 vāñ chíro dāsasya sám piṇak vadhéna || 9 || grīṣṭīḥ sasūva
 sthāviraṁ tavāgām anādhṛishyām vṛishabhām tūmram ín-
 dram | árīḷham vatsām caráthāya mātá svayām gātūṁ tanvā
 ichāmānam || 10 || utā mātá mahishām ānv avenad amí tvā
 jahati putra devāḥ | áthābravid vṛitrām índro hanishyān
 sákhe vishṇo vitarām ví kramasva || 11 ||

कस्ते मातरं विधवामचकच्छयुं कस्त्वामजिघांसुचरन्तम् ।
 कस्ते देवो अधि मारुकिं आसीचत्प्राक्षिणाः पितरं पादगृह्ण ॥९॥
 अवर्त्या जुने आन्त्राणि पेचे न देवेषु विविदे मर्दितारम् ।
 अपर्यथं जायाममहीयमानामघा मे श्येनो मध्वा जभार ॥१०॥
 अथाब्रवीद्वित्रमिन्द्रो हनिष्यन्त्सखे विष्णो वितरं वि क्रमस्व ॥११॥

kās te mātāraṁ
 vidhāvām acakrae chayūṁ kās tvām ajighāṁsae cārantam |
 kās te devó ādhi mārḍikā āsid yát prākshīṇāḥ pitāram pā-
 dagṛīḷhya || 12 || āvartyā śūna āntrāṇi pece ná devéshu vi-
 vide mardītāram | āpaśyam jāyām āmahīyamānām ādhā me
 syenó mádhv ā jabhāra || 13 ||

O bounteous life, once the ravaging force again tries to smite upon your face, whereupon, being so smitten, you prove stronger, and crush the head of the ravaging forces, with your adamantine will to survive. 9

As a heifer bears a calf, the eternal Mother Nature bears the organic life, mature (in years), strong, irresistible, vigorous, energetic, invincible, destined to follow his own course and heedful of its own person. 10

Then from the evolved organic life, the Mother enquired : My son, do Nature's forces desert you and try to harm? Then the personified life answering in affirmative further speaks to the omnipresent Father : May you exert your prowess with a desire to destroy demonic obstructing forces. 11

Who has made your Mother Nature a widow? Who has been the person who tried to slay you whilst you were unconscious or in sleep in wakeful state?

O Child, you have neglected your father as if having seized him by foot and not caring for him. Who could have been more gracious to you than He? 12

Finally the self, so lamented, in extreme destitution; What a shame to me that I have committed a heinous crime as if cooking the entrails of a dog (having forgotten my Lord). I could find no comfort among Nature's material forces. Before my own eyes I have seen my wife, the beloved, disrespected. Then the enlightenment, in the form of falcon from heaven, comes down and brings the sweet water. 13

(१९) एकान्विंशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशस्यैवात्य सुतत्त्व गीतनो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । विष्णु छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ पुवा त्वामिन्द्र वज्रिन्नत्र विश्वे देवासः सुहवास उमाः ।
 महाभुभे रोदसी वृद्धमुष्वं निरेकमिदृणते वृत्रहत्वे ॥१॥
 अवासृजन्त जित्रयो न देवा भुवः सम्राळिन्द्र सत्ययानिः ।
 अहन्नहिं परिशयानुमर्णः प्र वर्तनीररदो विश्वधेनाः ॥२॥
 अतृप्नुवन्तं वियतमबुध्यमबुध्यमानं सुषुपानमिन्द्र ।
 सप्त प्रति प्रवत आशयानुमहिं वज्रेण वि रिणा अपर्वन् ॥३॥

19.

Evá tvám indra vajrinn átra víṣve dēvāsaḥ suhāvāsa
 ūmāḥ | mahām ubhé ródasi vṛiddhām ṛishvām nír ékam íd
 vṛiṇate vṛitrahátye || 1 || ávāsṛijanta jívrayo ná devá bhú-
 vaḥ samráḷ indra satyáyonih | áhann áhim pariśáyānam
 árnaḥ prá vartanír arado viṣvádhenāḥ || 2 || átripṇuvantam
 víyatam abudhyám ábudhyamānam sushupāṇām indra |saptá
 práti praváta āśáyānam áhim vājreṇa ví riṇā aparván || 3 ||

अक्षोदयच्छवसा क्षाम बुध्नं वारं वातस्तविषीभिरीन्द्रः ।
 दृळ्हान्यौभादुशमानं ओजोऽवाभिनत्कुभः पर्वतानाम् ॥२॥
 अभि प्र दद्रुर्जनयो न गर्भं रथा इव प्र ययुः साकमद्रयः ।
 अतर्पयो विसृत उच्च उर्मिन्त्वं वृताँ अरिणा इन्द्र सिन्धून् ॥५॥

ákshodayae chávasā kshāma budhnām vār ná vātas távi-
 shibhir indrah | dṛiḷhāny aubhnād usāmāna ójó 'vābhinat
 kakúbhaḥ párvatānām || 4 || abhí prá dadrur jánayo ná gár-
 bham ráthā iva prá yayuḥ sākām ádrayaḥ | átarpayo viṣṛita
 ubjá ūrmín tvám vṛitāñ ariṇā indra síndhūn || 5 ||

O resplendent self, wielder of the adamantine will-power, all the protecting Nature's forces, who are reverently invoked, and both heaven and the earth (physical and spiritual realms of body) glorify you. You are verily unparalleled, eternal and lofty capable of destroying evil forces. 1

As elders urge their young, so the sense-organs urge you to fight evil forces; then you, O inner-self, become the emblem of truth, the sovereign ruler of the human body, and you lay off the morbid impulses and mark out the courses of all delighting channels of thoughts. 2

In no time, you cut down with your adamantine will-power, the insatiable, hard to awaken, ignorant, unapprehending lazy dragon of evil impulses, who obstructs the free flow of seven prone streams of virtuous thoughts. 3

The inner-self with his strength, awakens, the exhausted nerves of body and mind, in the same manner as wind stirs the water with its fury. Striving with strength, he bursts the solid clouds of ignorance asunder and shatters the high walls of obstructing adversaries. 4

The vital principles hasten to you like mothers to their young; and like chariots who rush (in battle); you, O inner-self, refresh the flowing streams of thoughts; and shatter the clouds of ignorance. You set free the obstructed streams of virtuous thoughts. 5

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त्वं महीमवन्ति विश्वधेनां तुर्वीतये वय्याय क्षरन्तीम् ।
 अरमयो नमसैजदणीः सुतरणौ अकृणोरिन्द्र सिन्धून् ॥६॥
 प्राग्रुवो नभन्वोऽत्र न वक्ता ध्वस्ता अपिन्वयुवतीकृतज्ञाः ।
 धन्वान्यज्रौ अपृणकृषाणौ अधोगिन्द्रः स्तर्योऽत्र दंसुपती ॥७॥
 पूर्वीरुपसः शरदश्च गूर्ता वृत्रं जघ्न्यां अमृजां ह सिन्धून् ।
 परिश्रिता अतृणद्वधानाः सीरा इन्द्रः स्ववितवे पृथिव्या ॥८॥
 वम्रीभिः पुत्रमग्रुवो अदानं निवेशनाद्धरिव आ जभर्य ।
 व्यन्धो अख्यदहिमाददानो निर्भेदुखच्छिस्तमरन्त पर्व ॥९॥

tvám mahīm avāniṃ viśvādhenām turvítaye vayyāya
 kshárantīm | áramayo námasaíjad árṇaḥ sutaranāñ akṛiṇor
 indra síndhūn || 6 || prágrúvo nabhanvò ná vákvā dhvasrá
 apinvad yuvatír ritajñāḥ | dhánvāny ájrañ aprīṇak ṛishā-
 ṇāñ ádhog indra staryò dāmsupatniḥ || 7 || pūrvír ushásah
 śaradaḥ ca gūrtā vṛitrām jaghanvāñ asṛijad ví síndhūn |
 páriśhṛithitā aṛiṇad badbadhānāḥ sīrá indraḥ śrávitave pṛi-
 thivyá || 8 || vamríbhiḥ putráṃ agrúvo adānām nivéśanād
 dhariva á jabhartha | vy àndhó akhyad áhim ādadānó nír
 bhūd ukhachít sám aranta párvatā || 9 ||

प्र ते पूर्वाणि करणानि विप्राविद्वाँ आह विदुषे करीसि ।
 यथायथा वृष्ण्यानि स्वगूर्तापांसि राजन्नर्याविवेपीः ॥१०॥
 नू द्रुत इन्द्र नू गृणान इषं जरित्रे नद्योऽत्र न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया स्याम रथ्यः सदासाः ॥११॥

prá te pūrvāni ká-
 raṇāni viprāvidvāñ āha vidúshe kārāñsi | yáthā-yathā vṛi-
 śhnyāni svágūrtāpāñsi rājan nāryāviveshiḥ || 10 || nū śhṛutá
 — || 11 ||

O inner-self, you, for the benefit of vigorously generous and vigilantly learned devotees, make the physical body cherishing and exuberant with abundant wisdom. You control the violent passions and thus make the rivers of life easy to be crossed. 6

Like the fierceful army marching on, the resplendent self has let youthful channels of thoughts flow forth which are law-abiding, resourceful and the corroders (of their banks). They inundate the dry lands and the thirsty (mind), and milk out the barren intellect, whom the evil thoughts have become the lords of. 7

Through many a morn and many a lovely autumn, having dispelled dark evils of ignorance, he sets free many channels of dawn-like intuitive thoughts, which were swallowed up by dark prejudices. The inner-self releases the imprisoned rivers of thoughts, encompassed (by clouds) to come out in the world. 8

Lord of vital senses, you extricate out the creative ability of man from its source, where it has been devoured by ants of petty impulses. When extricated, though blind, it distinguishes the dragon of sin. The creative ability is fully restored to health like a creature whose broken joints in the ant-hill have been again fully united. 9

O man of wisdom, I have been knowing and praising the deeds you have been performing ever since. They are generative of rain, spontaneous and beneficial to men. 10

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper and give water. O Lord of vital forces, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, the car-borne, be victors for ever. 11

(२०) विंशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशार्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । विष्णु छन्दः ॥

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आ न इन्द्रो दुरादा न आसादभिष्टुदवसे यासदुग्रः ।
 ओजिष्ठभिर्नृपतिर्वज्राहुः संगे समस्तु तूर्वाणि पृतन्यून ॥१॥
 आ न इन्द्रो हरिभिर्यात्वच्छावाचीनोऽवसे राधसे च ।
 तिष्ठति वज्री मधवा विरप्सीमं यज्ञमनु नो वाजसातो ॥२॥
 इमं यज्ञं त्वमस्माकमिन्द्र पुरो दधत्सनिष्यसि क्रतुं नः ।
 श्वघ्नीव वज्रिन्त्सनये धनानां त्वया वयमर्य आजिं जयेम ॥३॥

20.

Ā na indro dūrād ā na āsād abhisṭīkrīd āvase yāsad
 ugrāḥ | ōjishṭhebhīr nṛpātīr vājrabāhuḥ saṅgé samātsu tur-
 vāṇiḥ pṛitanyūn || 1 || ā na indro hāribhīr yātv āchārvācīnō
 'vase rādhasē ca | tīshṭhāti vajrī maghāvā virapśīmām ya-
 jñām ānu no vājasātau || 2 || imām yajñām tvām asmākam
 indra purō dādhat sanishyasi krātum naḥ | śvaghnīva va-
 jrin sanāye dhānānām tvāyā vayām aryā ājīm jayema || 3 ||

उशन्न पु णः सुमनां उपाके सोमस्य नु सुशुतस्य स्वधावः ।
 पा इन्द्र प्रतिभृतस्य मध्वः समन्धसा ममदः पृष्ठयेन ॥४॥
 वि यो ररप्श ऋषिभिर्नैर्विर्वृक्षो न पृक्ः सृण्यो न जेता ।
 मर्यो न योषामभि मन्यमानोऽच्छा विवक्मि पुरुहुतमिन्द्रम् ॥५॥

uśānn u shū ṇaḥ sumānā upāké sómasya nú sūshutasya
 svadhāvaḥ | pā indra prátibhṛitasya mādhvah sám āndhasā
 mamadah pṛishṭhyēna || 4 || ví yō rarapśā řīshibhīr návebhīr
 vṛikshō ná pakvāḥ sṛiṇyo ná jētā | máryo ná yóshām abhī
 mányamānō 'chā vivakmi puruhūtām indram || 5 ||

May the resplendent self, the fulfiller of aspirations, the Lord of men, equipped with adamantine forces, subduer of his adversaries, small or big, come to us for our protection whether from far or near. 1

May the resplendent self, affectionately inclined to us, equipped with its vital faculties come to us for our protection. He is the possessor of adamantine will-power bounteous and powerful. He remains always with us to help in our benevolent noble deeds. 2

O resplendent self, may you, honouring our benevolent acts, give us strength and fill us full with courage to acquire the benefits. O holder of adamantine will-power, may we remain with you, and like a hunting creature subdue our evils. May we be victorious in our conflicts. 3

O resplendent self, glorious in your own greatness, may you be favourably disposed, and gracious to us. May you relish the ecstasy of spiritual joy and be pleased to accept the sacrificial homage offered by us at the back (i.e. in silence). 4

I, like a lover boasting of his beloved, glorify that resplendent self, adored by all sages, past and present. He is praised like a tree with ripe fruit and like a victor trained and disciplined. 5

॥५॥ गिरिर्न यः स्वतवाँ ऋष्व इन्द्रः सनादेव सहसे जात उग्रः ।
 आदर्ता वज्रं स्वविरं न भीम उद्रेव कोशं वसुना न्यृष्टम् ॥६॥
 न यस्य वर्ता जनुषा न्वस्ति न राघस आमरीता मघस्य ।
 उद्वावृषाणस्तविषीव उग्रस्मभ्यं दद्धि पुरुहूत रायः ॥७॥
 ईक्षे रायः क्षयस्य चर्षणीनामुत ब्रजमपवर्तासि गोनाम् ।
 शिक्शनरः समिधेषु प्रहावान्वस्वो राशिर्मभिनेतासि भूरिम् ॥८॥

gírir ná yáḥ svátavāñ ṛishvá índrah sanád evá sáhase
 jātá ugráh | ádartā vájraṁ stháviraṁ ná bhīmá udnéva
 kóṣaṁ vásunā nyrishṭam || 6 || ná yása vartā janúshā nv
 ásti ná rádhasa āmaritā maghásya | udvāvṛishānās tavishīva
 ugrāsmábhyam daddhi puruhūta rāyáh || 7 || íkshē rāyáh
 ksháyasya earshaṇínām utá vrajám apavartási gónām | ṣi-
 kshānaráh samithéshu prahāvān vásvo rāṣim abhinetaṣi
 bhúrim || 8 ||

कया तच्छृष्ये शच्या शचिष्ठो यया कृणोति मुहु का चिदृष्यः ।
 पुरु दाशुषे विचयिष्ठो अहोऽथा दधाति द्रविणं जरित्रे ॥९॥
 मा नो मर्धीरा भरा दद्धि तन्नः प्र दाशुषे दातवे भूरि यते ।
 नव्ये देष्णे शस्ते असिन्त उक्थे प्र ब्रवाम वयमिन्द्र स्तुवन्तः ॥१०॥
 नू द्रुत इन्द्र नू गृणान इषं जरित्रे न्ययोऽ न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया त्याम गथ्यः सदासाः ॥११॥

káyā tác chṛiṇve śácya śacishṭho yáyā kṛiṇóti
 múhu ká cid ṛishváḥ | purú dāśúshe vícayishṭho áñhó 'thā
 dadhāti dráviṇaṁ jaritré || 9 || má no mardhīr á bharā dad-
 dhí tán naḥ prá dāśúshe dátave bhúri yát te | návyē
 deshñé śasté asmín ta ukthé prá bravāma vayám indra
 stuvántaḥ || 10 || nū shtutá — || 11 ||

The vast and self-sustained like a mountain, the radiant and formidable resplendent self, ever ready for conquest, is the wielder of the adamantine will-power, and is charged with splendour, like a jar fully filled with water. 6

Whom, from ancient times there has not been one to oppose, none to curtail the riches of His bounty, and who accomplishes pious works, may that powerful resplendent self, the showerer of benefits, invoked by all, pour forth riches on us. 7

You rule over the riches and the dwellings of men; you are the rescuer of the store of wisdom; you are the giver of instructions, the winner in all conflicts; may you lead us to the heaps of riches. 8

By what great wisdom is He renowned as the wisest? Wherewith does the mighty Lord repeatedly perform great deeds? He is the best comforter of manifold sorrows of the worshipper and bestows wealth upon His adorer. 9

Harm us not, but cherish us, O Lord! May you bestow upon us that abundant wealth which you provide to the dedicated worshipper. Praising you, we extol you at this new, well-awarding and excellent ceremony. 10

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper, as rivers swell high and give water O Lord of vital forces, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, car-borne, be the victors for ever. 11

(२१) एकविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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आ या॒त्विन्द्रोऽव॑स॒ उप॑ न इ॒ह स्तु॑तः स॒ध॒माद॑स्तु शूरः ।
 वा॒वृ॒धान॑स्त॒र्विधी॑र्यस्य॒ पूर्वी॑र्योर्न॒ क्षत्र॑म॒भिभृ॑ति पु॒ण्यात् ॥१॥
 तस्ये॒दिह॑ स्त॒वथ॑ वृ॒ज्यानि॑ तुविद्यु॒न्नस्य॑ तुवि॒राध॑सो नृन् ।
 यस्य॑ क॒तुर्विदु॑ष्योऽ॒ न स॒म्राट् सा॒ह्यान्तरु॑त्रो अ॒भ्यस्ति॑ कृ॒ष्टीः ॥२॥
 आ या॒त्विन्द्रो॑ दि॒व आ॑ पृथि॒व्या म॒क्षू संमु॑द्रादु॒त वा॒ पुरी॑षात् ।
 स्वर्ण॑रा॒दव॑से नो म॒रुत्वा॑न्परा॒वतो॑ वा स॒देना॑दु॒तस्य॑ ॥३॥

21.

Ā yātv índró 'vasa úpa na ihá stutáh sadhamád astu
 sūrah | vāvṛidhānás távishīr yasya pūrvīr dyaúr ná ksha-
 trām abhībhūti pūshyāt || 1 || tasyéd ihá stavatha vṛishnyāni
 tuvidyumnāsya tuvirádhaso nṛīn | yasya krátur vidathyò ná
 samrát sāhvān tārutro abhy ásti kṛishṭīḥ || 2 || ā yātv índro
 divā ā pṛithivyā makshū samudrād utá vā pūrishāt | svàr-
 narād ávase no marútvān parāváto vā sádanād ṛitásya || 3 ||

स्थूर॑स्य रा॒यो बृ॒हतो॑ य ई॒शे तमु॑ ए॒वाम॑ वि॒दथे॑ष्विन्द्र॑म् ।
 यो वा॒युना॑ जय॑ति गोमती॑षु प्र धृ॒ज्या नय॑ति व॒स्यो अ॑च्छ ॥४॥
 उप॑ यो नमो॑ नम॑सि स्त॒भाय॑न्निर्य॑ति वाचं॑ ज॒नय॑न्यज॒ध्ये ।
 ऋ॒ज॒ज्ञसा॑नः पु॒रुवार॑ उ॒क्थेरे॑न्द्रं कृ॒ष्वीत॑ स॒देने॑षु होता॑ ॥५॥

sthūrásya rāyó bṛiható yá īše tám u shtavāma vidátheshv
 indram | yó vāyúnā jáyati gómatishu prá dhrishnyayá náyati
 vasyo ácha || 4 || úpa yó námo námasi stabhāyāun íyarti
 vācam janáyan yájadhyai | ṛiñjasānāḥ puruvára ukthair én-
 dram kṛiṇvita sádaneshu hótā || 5 ||

May the resplendent self, radiant like sun, intrinsically vigorous, come to us for our protection. May he, being praised, here in this ceremony, enjoy the ecstasy of spiritual joy with us. May he, the possessor of many energies, strengthen his own overpowering force. 1

May you glorify the powerful leader of that renowned and opulent resplendent self, whose victorious and protecting forces rule over men, like a universal sovereign remarkable among mighties. 2

May the resplendent Lord, accompanied by the vital principles, come quickly for our protection, from the sky, from the earth, from the firmament, from the waters, from the blissful regions, and even from the distances far and beyond. 3

In the assembly of pious devotees, we glorify the resplendent Lord who is the sovereign of massive and extensive riches; who by His prowess is victor over hostile/hosts, and who by His munificence brings excellent wealth to the worshippers. 4

Let the priest, with many hymns, invoke that resplendent Lord, who, sustains universe, gives food in return to our offerings, and who, with divine voice, inspires men to worship. He is to be propitiated by praises, and adored by all. 5

॥६॥ धिषा यदि धिषण्यन्तः सरण्यान्सदन्तो अद्रिमौशिजस्य गोहे ।
 आ दुरोषाः पास्त्यस्य होता यो नो महान्तुंवरणेषु वह्निः ॥६॥
 सत्रा यदी भार्वरस्य वृष्णः सिषक्ति शुष्मः स्तुवते भराय ।
 गुहा यदीमौशिजस्य गोहे प्र यद्विये प्रायसे मदाय ॥७॥
 वि यहरांसि पर्वतस्य वृष्वे पयोभिर्जिन्वे अपां जवांसि ।
 विदह्नौरस्य गवयस्य गोहे यदी वाजाय सुध्वोऽ वहन्ति ॥८॥

dhishā yādi dhishanyāntaḥ saranyān sādanto ādrim au-
 sijāsya gōhe | ā duróshāḥ pāstyāsya hótā yó no. mahān
 samvāraṇeshu váhniḥ || 6 || satrá yād im bhārvarāsya vṛ-
 ṣṇaḥ śiṣhakti śuśhma stuvaté bhārāya | gūhā yād im au-
 sijāsya gōhe prá yād dhiyé práyase mādāya || 7 || ví yād
 várāṇsi párvatasya vṛṣṇvé páyobhir jinvé apām jávāṇsi |
 vidád gaurāsya gavayāsya gōhe yādī vājāya sudhyò vá-
 hanti || 8 ||

भद्रा ते हस्ता सुकृतोत पाणी प्रयन्तारा स्तुवते राध इन्द्र ।
 का ते निषत्तिः किमु नो ममत्सि किं नोदुदु हर्षसे दातुवा उ ॥९॥
 एवा वस्व इन्द्रः सत्यः सत्राहुन्ता वृत्रं वरिवः पुरवे कः ।
 पुरुष्टुत क्त्वा नः शग्धि रायो भक्षीय तेऽवसो देव्यस्य ॥१०॥
 नू द्रुत इन्द्र नू गृणान इषं जरित्रे नद्योऽ न पीपेः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया स्वां रथ्यः सदासाः ॥११॥

bhadrā te hāstā sūkṛitotā pāṇī prayantārā stu-
 vāté rādha indra | kā te nīshattiḥ kīm u nó mamatsi kīm
 nód-ud u harshase dātavā u || 9 || evā vásya indraḥ satyāḥ
 samráḍ dhántā vṛitrām vārivaḥ pūrāve kaḥ | pūrusṭuta
 krátvā naḥ ṣagdhi rāyó bhakshiyá té 'vaso daívyasya || 10 ||
 nū sṭutá — || 11 ||

When sitting and pondering in deep devotion in the priest's abode, the grinder of juices plies with his pressing stones, may the Lord, who is superb in contests and whose wrath is formidable, come to aid as the house-lord's priest. 6

True it is, that the power of the sustainer of the world, the showerer of benefits, favourably helps the offerer of praises. It prevails upon the secret thoughts of the sincere seeker, lying hidden in the priests abode, for his accomplishments, desires and delights. 7

When he sets asunder the clouds of ignorance, and amply supplies the rapid flow of thoughts, the wise, leads him on to vigorous search of truth, and he thereupon finds in the hidden corner, the manifested intellect and its counterpart, the subconsciousness. 8

O resplendent Lord, your auspicious arms are accomplishers of noble deeds, and your two hands confer wealth to your worshippers. Why is this delay? Why do you not invigorate us? Why are you not delighted for granting us riches? 9

Thus glorified, the resplendent Lord, the truthful, the master of treasures gives freedom to man by dispelling the devil of ignorance. O Lord adored by all, may you grant us strength for doing noble acts, so that we may enjoy the fruits of your protective divine favour. 10

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper as rivers swell high and give water. O Lord of vital glory, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, car-borne, be victors for ever. 11

(२२) द्वाविंश सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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यज्ञ इन्द्रो जुजुषे यच्च वष्टि तन्नो महान्करति शुष्म्या चित् ।
 ब्रह्म स्तोमं मधवा सोममुक्था यो अश्मानं शर्वसा विश्रदेति ॥१॥
 वृषा वृषन्धि चतुरश्रिमस्पर्द्धुग्रो बाहुभ्यां नृतमः शर्वीवान् ।
 श्रिये परुष्णीमुपमाण ऊर्णा यस्याः पर्वाणि सख्याय विज्ये ॥२॥
 यो देवो देवतमो जायमानो महो वज्रेभिर्महद्भिश्च शुष्मैः ।
 दधानो वज्रं बाह्वोरुशन्तं याममेन रेजयत्प्र भूम ॥३॥

22.

Yán na índro jujushé yác ca vāshti tán no mahán ka-
 rati śushmy á eit | bráhma stómam maghávā sómam ukthá
 yó áśmānam śávasā bíbhrad éti || 1 || vṛishā vṛishandhim
 cáturaśrim ásyann ugró bāhúbhyām nṛítamāḥ śácivān |
 śriyé párushñim ushámāṇa ūrñām yásyāḥ párvāṇi sakhyáya
 vivyé || 2 || yó devó devátamo jáyamāno mahó vājebhir ma-
 hádbhiḥ ca śúshmaiḥ | dádhāno vājram bāhvór uśántam
 dyám ámena rejayat prá bhúma || 3 ||

विश्वा रोधांसि प्रवतश्च पूर्व्योऽर्कृष्वाजनिमन्नेजतु क्षाः ।
 आ मात्रा भरति शुष्म्या गोनृवत्परिज्मन्नोनुवन्त वाताः ॥४॥
 ता तू ते इन्द्र महतो महानि विश्वेष्वित्सर्वनेषु प्रवाच्या ।
 यच्छ्रैर धृष्णो धृष्टता दधृष्वानहि वज्रेण शक्नुसर्विवेषीः ॥५॥

vísuvā ródhānsi pra-
 vátaḥ ca pūrvír dyaúr ṛishváj jánimān rejata ksháh | á mā-
 tārá bhárati śushmy á gór nṛivát párijman nonuvanta vá-
 tāḥ || 4 || tá tú ta indra maható maháni víśveshv ít śáva-
 neshu pravácyā | yác chūra dhṛishṇo dhṛishatá dadhṛishván
 áhim vājrena śávasāviveshiḥ || 5 ||

The personality of resplendent great and mighty Lord is manifested along with His punitive justice in His strength. He loves and welcomes our gifts, and desires them to be offered to Him by us. May He, the possessor of opulence, accept our hymns, our praises, our loving devotions and devotional songs. 1

He, the showerer of benefits, the fierce, the foremost, and the brilliant, wields with his power the four-edged justice for granting prosperity. He, dispelling the wickedness of our mind, releases virtues through channels of wisdom and thus inspires us through friendly favours for spiritual progress. 2

He, the divine, most divine as soon as manifested, endowed with glories and great energies, holding, as if, in his arms the adamantine justice makes both heaven and earth oscillate with vigour. 3

As soon as He ordains, all the hills, flooded rivers, heaven and earth start oscillating with vigour. Through His firm determination, the parent-like mighty Lord sustains both heaven and earth. Cosmic winds make loud noise like a crowd of men in mid-region. 4

O resplendent Lord, great are the deeds, to be proclaimed at all our congregations. O brave Lord, the sustainer of universe bearing the adamantine force, you annihilate the dragon of sinful mind. 5

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ता तू ते सत्या तृविनुम्ण विश्वा प्र धेनवः सिस्वते वृष्ण उग्रः ।
 अथा ह त्वद्वृषमणो भियानाः प्र सिन्धवो जवसा चक्रमन्त ॥६॥
 अत्राह ते हरिवस्ता उ देवीरवोभिरिन्द्र स्तवन्त स्वसारः ।
 यत्सीमनु प्र मुचो बद्धधाना दीर्घामनु प्रसितिं स्पन्दयथ्यै ॥७॥
 पिपीळे अंशुर्मयो न सिन्धुरा त्वा शमी शशमानस्य शक्तिः ।
 अस्मद्रवकशुचानस्य यम्या आशुर्न रश्मिं तुव्योजसं गोः ॥८॥

tā tū te satyā tuvinṛmṇa vīsvā prā dhenávaḥ sistrate
 vṛishṇa údhnah | ádhā ha tvád vṛishamaṇo bhiyānáḥ prā
 síndhavo jávasā cakramanta || 6 || átrāha te harivas tā u de-
 vír ávobhir indra stavanta svásārah | yát sīm ánu prā mucó
 badbadhāná dīrghām ánu prásitim syandayádhyai || 7 ||
 pipīlé aṁśúr mádyo ná síndhur á tvā śāmī śaṣamanásya
 śaktiḥ | asmadyāk chuṣucānásya yamyā āśúr ná raṣmīm
 tuvyojasam góḥ || 8 ||

अस्मे वषिष्ठा ऋणुहि ज्येष्ठा नृम्णानि सत्रा सहुरे सहांसि ।
 अस्मभ्यं वृत्रा सुहन्तानि रन्धि जहि वधर्वनुषो मर्त्यस्य ॥९॥
 अस्माकमित्सु शृणुहि त्वमिन्द्रास्मभ्यं चित्राँ उप माहि वाजान् ।
 अस्मभ्यं विश्वा इषणः पुरंधीरस्माकं सु मघवन्वोधि गोदाः ॥१०॥
 नू द्रुत इन्द्र नू रृणान इषं जरित्रे नद्योऽं न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया स्याम रथ्यः सदासाः ॥११॥

asmé vārshishṭhā kṛiṇuhi jyéshṭhā
 nṛimṇāni satrá sahure sáhānsi | asmábhyam vṛitrā suhánān-
 randhi jahí vádhar vanúsho mártiyasya || 9 || asmákam ít sú
 ṣṛiṇuhi tvám indrásmábhyam citráñ úpa māhi vājān | asmá-
 bhyam vīsvā ishānah púramdhír asmákam sú maghavan
 bodhi godāḥ || 10 || nú shṭutá — || 11 ||

Most powerful Lord, all your accomplishments are verily true. O showerer of benefits, the cows give milk from their udders through your grace. And, O benevolent Lord, the rivers flow with rapidity fearing you at your command. 6

O Lord of speed and vitality, the divine sister-like streams of rivers offer reverence to you for protection, when you set them free to flow, after their having been impeded by the obstructive forces through a long confinement. 7

The exhilarating melodies of devotional songs have been repeatedly sung for you, as if a herb properly crushed beneath stones (for extraction). Now, may the streams of our love flow to you, and so let the expiatory power of the illustrious utterer of praise be directed towards us, as if a horse directed by reins. 8

O victorious Lord, bless us with excellent, superior and overpowering vigour. And may you make evil forces easy to be conquered. May you demolish the weapon of malevolent man. 9

Graciously listen to our praises, O Lord, and bestow upon us many kinds of prosperity and fulfil all our aspirations, and O bounteous, be delighted to grant us wisdom. 10

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper, as rivers swell high and give water. O Lord of vital glory, we continue composing new hymns for you. 11

(२३) अयोविशे सूक्तम्

(१-११) षकादशर्वस्यास्य सृष्टस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-७, ११) अथमादिसप्तर्षि-
मेकादशवाथेन्द्रः (८-१०) अष्टम्यादितृचम्येन्द्रः कृतं वा देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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कथा महामवृधत्कस्य होतुर्विशं जुषाणो अभि सोममूधः ।
 पिबन्नशानो जुषमाणो अन्धो ववक्ष क्रुष्यः शुचते धनाय ॥१॥
 को अस्य वीरः सधमादमाप समानंश सुमतिभिः को अस्य ।
 कदस्य चित्रं चिकित्ते कदुती वृधे भुवच्छशमानस्य यज्योः ॥२॥
 कथा शृणोति ह्यमानमिन्द्रः कथा शृण्वन्नवसामस्य वेद ।
 का अस्य पूर्विरूपमानयो ह कथेनमाहुः पपुर्णि जरित्रे ॥३॥

23.

Kathā mahām avṛidhat kāsya hōtur yajñām jushāṇo
 abhī sōmam ūdhah | pibann uṣāṇo jushāmāṇo āndho vava-
 kshā rishvāḥ śucate dhānāya || 1 || kō asya vīrah sadhamā-
 dam āpa sām ānaṇṣa sumatībhiḥ kō asya | kād asya citrām
 eikite kād ūtī vṛidhé bhuvac chaṣamānāsya yājyoh || 2 ||
 kathā śṛiṇoti hūyāmānam indrah kathā śṛiṇvānn āvasām
 asya veda | kā asya pūrvīr ūpamātayo ha kathaīnam ābuh
 pāpurim jaritré || 3 ||

कथा स्वाधः शशमानो अस्य नशद्भि द्रविणं दीर्घानः ।
 देवो भुवन्नवदा म क्रतानो नमो जगृभ्यो अभि यजुजोषत ॥४॥
 कथा कदस्या उपसो व्युष्टौ देवो मर्तस्य सख्यं जुजोष ।
 कथा कदस्य सख्यं सखिभ्यो ये अस्मिन्कामं सुयुजं ततस्ते ॥५॥

kathā sabādhah ṣaṣamāno asya nāṣad
 abhī drāviṇam dīdhyānah | devō bhuvan nāvedā ma ṛitā-
 nām nāmo jagṛibhvāñ abhī yāj jūjoshat || 4 || kathā kād
 asyā ushāso vyūṣṭau devō mārtaśya sakhyām jujosha | ka-
 thā kād asya sakhyām sākhibhyo yé asmin kāmam suyú-
 jam tatasré || 5 ||

In what manner should the devotee extol the mighty resplendent Lord and the sacrifice of which worshipper is favoured by the Lord when propitiated? Rejoicing with our devotional emotions and accepting the homage of the devotee, the mighty Lord bestows brilliant prosperity. ¹

Who is that hero, who has enjoyed His fellowship? Who has been a partner in His loving kindness? What do we know of His wondrous acts? How often does He come to enhance the prosperity of the dedicated worshipper? ²

How does the resplendent Lord listen to the invocations of the worshipper? And after hearing, how does He know what one needs for help? What have been His blessings to us since ever? Why is He called the fulfiller of the wishes of His devotee? ³

Is it that in spite of adverse and opposing circumstances, he who glorifies and takes delight in the worship of resplendent Lord, obtains rewards? May the divine Lord appreciate my truthful praises, having received the homage which He loves. ⁴

When and in what manner, at the break of this dawn, does the divine Lord accept the friendship of a mortal? When and in what manner is His friendship extended to the friends who love Him and entwine in Him their firm affection. ⁵

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किनादमंत्रं सुख्यं सखिभ्यः कदा नु ते भ्रात्रं प्र ब्रवाम ।
 श्रिये सुहृदो वपुस्तस्य सर्गाः स्वर्णं चित्रतममिष आ गोः ॥६॥
 द्रुहं जिघांसन्ध्वरसमनिन्द्रां तेतिक्ते तिम्रा तुजसे अनीका ।
 ऋणा चित्रं ऋण्या न उग्रो दूरे अज्ञाता उपसो ब्रवाधे ॥७॥
 ऋतस्य हि शुरुधः सन्ति पूर्वोक्तस्य धीतिर्वृजिनानि हन्ति ।
 ऋतस्य श्लोकौ वधिरा ततर्दु कर्णौ बुधानः शुचमान आयोः ॥८॥

kīm ād āmatraṃ sakhyāṃ sākhibhyaḥ kadā nū te bhrā-
 trām prā bravāma | śriyē sudṛiṣo vāpur asya sārgāḥ svār-
 nā citrātamaṃ isha ā gōḥ || 6 || drūhaṃ jīghāṁsan dhvarā-
 sam anindrām tétikte tigmā tujāse ānikā | ṛiṇā eid yātra
 ṛiṇayā na ugrō dūre ājñātā ushāso babādhē || 7 || ṛitāsya hī
 śurūdhāḥ sānti pūrvīr ṛitāsya dhītīr vṛijināni banti | ṛitā-
 sya ślōko badhirā tatarda kāṛṇā budhānāḥ śucāmāna āyōḥ
 || 8 ||

ऋतस्य हृद्बहा धरुणानि सन्ति पुरुणि चन्द्रा वपुषे वपुषि ।
 ऋतेन दीर्घमिषणन्त पृक्षं ऋतेन गाव ऋतमा विवेशुः ॥९॥
 ऋतं येमान ऋतमिद्वेनोत्पृतस्य शुष्मस्तुरया उ गव्युः ।
 ऋताय पृथ्वी बहूले गभीरे ऋताय धेनू परमे दुहाते ॥१०॥
 नृ पुत इन्द्र नृ शृणान इषं जरित्रे नद्योऽं न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया स्याम रुथ्यः सदासाः ॥११॥

ṛitāsya ḍṛiḥhā dharuṇāni santi puruṇi candrā vāpushe
 vāpūnshi | ṛitēna dīrghām iṣaṇanta pṛikṣha ṛitēna gāva
 ṛitām ā viveṣuḥ || 9 || ṛitām yemānā ṛitām id vanoty ṛitāsya
 śūshmas turayā u gavyūḥ | ṛitāya pṛithvī bahulē gabhīrē
 ṛitāya dhenū paramē duhāte || 10 || nū śhṭutā — || 11 ||

How and in what manner shall we proclaim your affection to your faithful devotees? When may we make known to every one your fraternal regards? The efforts of lustrous Lord are for the happiness of all. The astonishing glory of the Lord, as also of the sun, is manifest in His entire creation from earth (to the heavenly bodies). 6

Resolving to subdue the rebels and rivals, He sharpens His weapon to destroy them. The powerful Lord holds in abeyance for an indefinite period the payment of debts, till the approach of distant dawning mornings. 7

Multifold are the bounties of eternal law since ever. The real understanding of eternal law destroys all iniquities. The intelligent and glowing tribute of eternal law opens even the deaf ears of living beings. 8

Many are the stable, sustaining and delightful forms of the embodied eternal law. The expectant devotees obtain long lasting food through the eternal law. By eternal law our senses are led to eternal truth. 9

The worshipper, abiding by eternal truth, verily enjoys the fruits of truth. Swift moves the might of law and procures benefits. The law is supreme over the wide and profound, from the depth of earth to the vastness of heaven. The cow is milked for the sake of eternal truth. 10

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper, as rivers swell high and give water. O Lord of vital glory, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, car-borne, be victors for ever. 11

(२४) चतुर्विंशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चेत्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-०, ११)

प्रथमादिनवर्चमिकादस्याथ त्रिष्टुप् . (१०) दशम्याश्चानुष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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का सुष्टुतिः शर्वसः सुनुमिन्द्रमर्वाचीनं राधम् आ ववर्तत् ।
 दुदिर्हि वीरो गृणते वसूनि स गोपतिर्निष्पिथी नो जनासः ॥१॥
 स वृत्रहत्ये हव्यः स ईड्यः स सुष्टुत इन्द्रः सत्यराधाः ।
 स यामन्ना मघवा मर्त्याय ब्रह्मण्यते सुष्वये वरिवो धातु ॥२॥
 तमिन्नरो वि ह्वयन्ते समीके रिरिक्वांसस्तन्वः कृष्वत त्राम् ।
 मिथो यत्यागमुभयांसो अग्मन्नरस्तोकस्य तनयस्य सातौ ॥३॥

24.

Kā sushtutiḥ śarvasaḥ sūnūm indram arvācīnām rādhasa
 ā vavartat | dadīr hī vīrō gṛiṇatē vāsūni śā gōpatir nishshī-
 dhām no janāsaḥ || 1 || śā vṛitrahātye hāvyaḥ śā īḍyaḥ śā
 śushtuta indraḥ satyārādhāḥ | śā yāmañ ā maghāvā mār-
 tyāya brahmaṇyatē śuśhvaye vārivo dhāt || 2 || tām īn nāro
 vī hvayante samīké ririkvānsas tanvāḥ kṛiṇvata trām | mi-
 thō yāt tyāgām ubhāyāso āgman nāras tokāśya tānayasya
 sātau || 3 ||

क्रतूयन्ति क्षितयो योगे उग्राशुषाणांसो मिथो अणीसातौ ।
 सं यद्विशोऽववृत्रन्त युध्मा आदिन्नेम इन्द्रयन्ते अभीके ॥४॥
 आदिद् नेमं इन्द्रियं यजन्त आदित्यक्तिः पुरोळाशं रिरिच्यात् ।
 आदित्सोमो वि पृष्ट्यादसुष्वीनादिस्तुजोष वृषभं यजध्वे ॥५॥

kratūyanti kshītāyo yōga ugrāśushāṇāso mithō
 āṇasātau | sām yād viśō 'vavṛitranta yudhmā ād īn nēma
 indrayante abhīke || 4 || ād īd dha nēma indriyām yajanta
 ād īt paktiḥ puroḷāṣam riricyāt | ād īt sōmo vī papricyād
 āsushvīn ād īj jujosha vṛishabhām yājadhyaī || 5 ||

What worthy praise may win the favour of the resplendent Lord, the source of strength, so that He may give us riches. O men, He is the supreme hero and the Lord of wisdom. He takes away the benefits from adversaries to give them to those who glorify Him. 1

He, the resplendent Lord, is to be invoked for the destruction of the devil of ignorance. He is to be adored and worshipped. He is the donor of lasting riches. He, the bounteous Lord, gives wealth to the mortal, who offers Him sincere devotion and dedication. 2

Men verily call upon Him in the times of adversities. When the devotees, men and women both, accept Him as their sole preserver, and approach Him, the bountiful Lord, they are blessed with the gift of sons and grandsons. 3

O powerful Lord, men variously put forth their vigour, striving together in the whirl of conflicts. While struggling against each other, they call upon Him for help. 4

Thereupon the offerer verily worships the powerful resplendent Lord and prepares oblation, as if a buttered cake, to offer to Him. Thereupon, the reciter of the devotional prayers turns out the unbelievers. And finally they take delight in worshipping the Lord, showerer of benefits. 5

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कृणोत्यस्मै वरिवो य इत्थेन्द्राय सोममुवाते सुनोति ।
 सध्रीचीनेन मनसाविधेनं तमित्सवायं कृणुते समत्सु ॥६॥
 य इन्द्राय सुनवत्सोममद्य पचात्यक्तीरुत भृजाति धानाः ।
 प्रति मनायोरुचयानि हर्यन्तस्मिन्दधदृषणं शुष्मभिन्द्रः ॥७॥
 यदा सम्यं व्यचेदधावा दीर्घं यदाजिमभ्यख्यदुर्घः ।
 अचिक्रदृषणं पत्यच्छा दुरोण आ निशितं सोममुद्रिः ॥८॥

krīṇóty asmai várivo yá itthéndrāya sómam usaté su-
 nóti | sadhrīcīnena mánasāvivenan tám ít sákhāyam krīṇute
 samátsu || 6 || yá índrāya sunávāt sómam adyá pácāt paktír
 utá bhrījāti dhānāḥ | prāti manāyór ucáthāni háryan tá-
 smin dadhad vṛishañam śúshmam índrah || 7 || yadā sa-
 maryám vy áced rīghāvā dīrghám yád ājīm abhy ákhyad
 aryāḥ | ácikradad vṛishañam pátny ácbā duroná á nísitam
 somasúdbhiḥ || 8 ||

भूर्यसा वृक्षमचरत्कनीयोऽविकीतो अकानिषं पुनर्यन् ।
 स भूर्यसा कनीयो नारिरिचीहीना दक्षा वि दुहन्ति प्र वाणम् ॥९॥
 क इमं दृशभिर्ममेन्द्रं क्रीणाति धेनुभिः ।
 यदा वृत्राणि जह्वनदर्थेन मे पुनर्ददत् ॥१०॥
 नू हुत इन्द्र नू गृणान इषं जरित्रे नद्योऽ न पीपिः ।
 अकारि ते हरिवो ब्रह्म नव्यं धिया स्वाम रथ्यः सदासाः ॥११॥

bhūyasā vasnám acarat káníyo 'vikrīto
 akānisham púnar yán | sá bhūyasā káníyo nārirecīd dīnā
 dākshā ví duhanti prá vāṇám || 9 || ká imám daśábhīr má-
 méndram krīṇāti dhenúbhiḥ | yadā vṛitrāṇi jāṅghanad áthai-
 nam me púnar dadat || 10 || nū śhṛutá — || 11 ||

Resplendent Lord awards him with blessings, who emotionally worships Him. The Lord, moved by the devotion, makes the devotee an ally in his struggles of life. 6

To one who offers to the resplendent Lord his matured emotions and dedications, just as to a guest are offered refreshing drinks and rich cooked meals along with puffed corns, He, the Lord blesses him with vigour and fulfils his aspirations. 7

When the hero warrior of the cosmic world, destroyer of evils, marks out his opposing forces and when he describes his heroic actions done in the long range planned cosmic creation, the cosmic intelligence as a bride in her own dwelling, encouraged by the tributes offered by devotees, takes delight in the praises. 8

A man bids small price (his material gains) for an article of great value (spiritual). Lord, the seller, speaks to the buyer; this is still unpurchased (and you can have it). But He insists to get full price of the article. The purchaser, however, does not raise the offer. The seller sticks to his demand, and the purchaser on to his offer; both look to their own interests whilst milking the udder. 9

Who can purchase the entire spirituality for the humble price of ten cows? When one has destroyed the devil of malice, through the borrowed spirituality, it has to be returned back to the resplendent Lord. 10

O lauded and glorified resplendent Lord, may you grant ample food to your worshipper, as rivers swell high and give water. O Lord of vital glory, we continue composing new hymns for you. May we, car-borne, be victors for ever. 11

(२५) पञ्चविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टवर्ण्यस्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । विष्णु छन्दः ॥

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को अद्य नयीं देवकाम उशन्निन्द्रस्य सख्यं जुजोष ।
 को वा महेऽवसे पार्याय समिद्धे अग्नौ सुतसोम ईद्वे ॥१॥
 को नानाम वचसा मोम्याय मनायुर्वी भवति वस्त उस्ताः ।
 क इन्द्रस्य युज्यं कः सखित्वं को भ्रात्रं वष्टि कवये क ऊती ॥२॥

25.

Kó adyá náryo devákāma uśann índrasya sakhyám ju-
 josha | kó vā mahé 'vase páryāya sámiddhe agnaú sutá-
 soma itte || 1 || kó nānāma vácasā somyāya manāyúr vā
 bhavati vásta usráh | ká índrasya yújyam káh sakhitvám
 kó bhrātrám vashti kavāye ká ūtí || 2 ||

को देवानामवो अद्या वृणीते क आदित्याँ अदितिं ज्योतिरीद्वे ।
 कस्याश्विनाविन्द्रो अग्निः सुतस्यांशोः पिबन्ति मनसाविवेनम् ॥३॥
 तस्मा अग्निमार्तुः शर्म यंसज्ज्योक्पश्यात्सूर्यमुच्चरन्तम् ।
 य इन्द्राय सुनवामेत्याह नरे नरीय नृतमाय नृणाम् ॥४॥
 न तं जिनन्ति ब्रह्मो न दुभ्रा उर्वस्मा अदितिः शर्म यंसत् ।
 प्रियः सुकृत्प्रिय इन्द्रे मनायुः प्रियः सुप्रावीः प्रियो अस्य सोमी ॥५॥

kó devánām ávo
 adyá vṛṇīte ká ādityāñ áditiṃ jyótir itte | kásyāśvināv ín-
 dro agnīḥ sutásyāñśoh pibanti ·mánasāvivenam || 3 || tásmā
 agnīr bhárataḥ śárma yañsaj jyók paśyāt sūryam uccáran-
 tam | yá índrāya sunávāméty áha náre náryāya nṛitamāya
 nṛiṇām || 4 || ná táṃ jinanti bahávo ná dabhrá urv āsmā
 áditiḥ śárma yañsat | priyáḥ sukrít priyá índre manāyúḥ
 priyáḥ suprávīḥ priyó asya somí || 5 ||

Who is he, who, aspiring to be divine, yearns to enjoy the comradeship of resplendent Lord ? Or who with the extracted medicinal herbs and with enkindled fire (intense devotion and enthusiasm) adores Him to win His great and unbounded protection ? 1

Who has with prayer bowed to the Lord, the lover of devotion ? Who is earnestly devoted to Him ? Who is the admirer of the spiritual radiation emanating out of him ? Who seeks His communion ? His friendship ? His fraternity ? Who has recourse to the sage for help ? 2

Who solicits today the protection of Nature's bounties ? Who seeks eternity and the source of eternal light for spiritual enlightenment ? Propitiated by whose praise the pair of twin-divines—mental and spiritual faculties—the soul and the fire of vital forces, willingly accept the love of devotee ? 3

Whosoever says, "let us offer devotional love to the resplendent Lord, the guide of all ceremonies, the friend of man, the chief amongst leaders," to him the radiant, adorable Lord, the bearer of oblations, grants felicity, and he is blessed with long life to behold the rising sun. 4

Neither many collectively nor few individuals can overcome Him. The eternal Lord grants him infinite happiness. Dear to Him is one with noble acts and the one with noble thoughts and dear to Him is one who is particularly enlightened and the one completely dedicated to Him. 5

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सुप्राव्यः प्राशुषालेप वीरः सुष्वेः पक्तिं कृणुते केवलेन्द्रः ।
 नासुष्वेरापिर्न सखा न जामिर्दुष्प्राव्योऽवहन्तेदवाचः ॥६॥
 न रेवता पणिनां सख्यमिन्द्रोऽसुन्वता सुतपाः सं गृणीते ।
 आस्य वेदः खिदति हन्ति नमं वि सुष्वये पक्तये केवलो भूतः ॥७॥
 इन्द्रं परेऽवरे मध्यमास इन्द्रं यान्तोऽवसितास इन्द्रम् ।
 इन्द्रं क्षियन्त उत युध्वमाना इन्द्रं नरो वाजयन्तो हवन्ते ॥८॥

suprāvyāḥ prāśushāl eśhā vīrāḥ sūshveḥ paktīm kṛṇute
 kévaléndraḥ | nāsushver āpīr ná sākḥā ná jāmīr dushprā-
 vyò 'vahantéd ávācaḥ || 6 || ná revātā pañīnā sakhyām in-
 dro 'sunvatā sutapāḥ sam grīṇīte | āśya védaḥ khidāti hānti
 nagnām ví sūshvaye paktāye kévalo bhūt || 7 || índram páré
 'vare madhyamāsa índram yāntó 'vasitāsa índram | índram
 kshiyānta utá yúdhya mānā índram náro vājayānto havante
 || 8 ||

(२६) पदार्थोक्तं मूलम्

(१-७) सप्तर्ष्यास्य मूलस्य (१-३) प्रथमादितृचस्य गीतमो वामदेव इन्द्रो वा, (४-७) चतुर्थ्यादि-
 चतसृणाञ्च गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-३) प्रथमादितृचस्येन्द्र भान्मा वा, (४-७) चतुर्थ्यादि-
 चतसृणाञ्च इत्यनो देवते । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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अहं मनुरभवं सूर्यश्चाहं कक्षीवाँ ऋषिरस्मि विप्रः ।
 अहं कुत्समारजुनेयं न्यृञ्जेऽहं कविरुदाना पश्यता मा ॥१॥

26.

Ahám mánur abhavam sūryaḥ cāhām kakshīvāñ rīshir
 asmi vípraḥ | ahám kútsam ārjuneயāṁ ny riñje 'hāṁ kavīr
 uśānā páśyatā mā || 1 ||

This almighty resplendent Lord, the prompt dispeller of darkness, accessible with sincere love, grants maturity to the zealous devotee. (On the contrary) He is neither a brother, nor a kinsman, nor a friend, nor a relation of him who offers no dedication. He is beyond access, and the punisher of him, who pays no tributes. 6

The resplendent Lord, the acceptor of loving devotion, keeps no alliance with the one who, though wealthy, is a black marketeer and who shows no devotion. He forfeits his wealth and destroys him when destitute. He is particularly friendly to him, who offers devotion and homage. 7

The resplendent Lord is invoked by the most exalted, the Lord invoked by the most humble, the Lord invoked by the intermediate ones. The moving ones invoke Him and so the stationary. He is invoked by those staying at home, and by fighters in the field. 8

I, so speaks the Supreme Self, am the prime source of contemplation and divine light. I am the far-seeing sage and centre of cosmic orbit. I am the accomplisher of piercing intellect. I am the poet, the well-wisher of all; so may you all behold me. 1

अहं भूमिमददामार्यायाहं वृष्टिं दाशुषे मर्त्याय ।
 अहमपो अनयं वावशाना मम देवासो अनु केतमायन् ॥२॥
 अहं पुरो मन्दसानो व्यैरं नवं साकं नवतीः शम्बरस्य ।
 शततमं वेद्यं सर्वताता दिवोदासमतिथिग्वं यदावम् ॥३॥
 प्र सु प विभ्यो मरुतो विरस्तु प्र श्येनः श्येनेभ्य आशुपत्वा ।
 अचक्रया यत्स्वधया सुपर्णो हव्यं भरन्मनवे देवजुष्टम् ॥४॥

ahám bhūmim adadām āryāyāhām
 vṛishtīm dāśuṣhe mārtyāya | ahám apó anayam vāvaśānā
 máma devāso ánu kētam āyan || 2 || ahám pūro mandasānó
 vy airam náva sākām navatīḥ śambarasya | satatamām ve-
 syām sarvātātā dívodāsam atithigvām yád ávam || 3 || prá
 sú shá vibhyo maruto vír astu prá syenāḥ syenébhya āṣu-
 pátvā | acakráyā yát svadháyā suparṇó havyām bháran
 mánave devájusṭham || 4 ||

भरद्यदि विरतो वेविजानः पथोरुणा मनोजवा असर्जि ।
 तूयं ययो मधुना सोम्येनोत श्रवो विविदे श्येनो अत्र ॥५॥
 ऋजीपी श्येनो ददमानो अंशुं परावतः शकुनो मन्द्रं मदम् ।
 सोमं भरद्वाह्वाणो देवावान्दिवो अमुष्मादुत्तरादादाय ॥६॥
 आदाय श्येनो अभर्त्सोमं सहस्रं सवाँ अयुतं च साकम् ।
 अत्रा पुरंधिरजहादरातीर्भेदे सोमस्य मूरा अमूरः ॥७॥

bhárad yádi vír áto vévijānaḥ
 pathórūṇā mánojavā asarji | túyam yayau mádhunā somyé-
 notá śrávo vivide syenó átra || 5 || ṛijipí syenó dádamāno
 aṅśúm parāvataḥ śakunó mandrām mādham | sómam bha-
 rad dādrihāṇó devāvān divó amúshmād úttarād ādāya || 6 ||
 ādāya syenó abharat sómam sahasram savāñ ayútam ca
 sākām | átrā púramdhir ajahād árātīr mādē sómasya mūrā
 ámūrah || 7 ||

I give the earth to the virtuous men. I shower rain for the benefit of dedicated mortals. I let forth the resonating waters. All Nature's bounties do move with my will. 2

In the perfection of bliss, I send forth showers of ninety and nine (unbound) blessings of rain clouds. I give all round shelter to the followers of path of light. I give hundredfold habitation to the reverential people. 3

This divine bird (the sun), O cosmic vital principles, is pre-eminent over other birds,—may this fleet-winged falcon be supreme of other falcons (ever-moving planets), since he with a wheelless car, strong-pinioned, brings godly bliss to mankind, which henceforth has been dear to Nature's bounties only. 4

When this divine bird (the sun) overpowering physical forces, carries off the divine bliss from here, it flies, swift as thought, along the vast path of the firmament; it has flown rapidly with the sweet celestial elixir, and this falcon thence acquires glory in this world. 5

This straight-flying bird carries and brings the divine delightful elixir from afar. Having taken it from that lofty heaven, he brings this celestial blessing for humanity. 6

Having taken it, the bird brings the elixir with him to a thousand and ten-thousand sacred places of work and worship, and this being provided, the performer of many selfless deeds, the faultless Sun destroys all evil forces through the ecstasy of that divine elixir. 7

(२७) समविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पथर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतनो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-७) प्रयत्तादिचतुर्मेचां श्येनः, (५) पथम्याथ श्येन इन्द्रो वा देवता । (१-७) प्रयत्तादिचतुर्मेचां विष्णुः, (५) पथम्याथ शङ्खरी छन्दसी ॥

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गर्भे नु सन्नय्वेषामवेदमहं देवानां जनिमानि विश्वा ।
 शतं ना पुर आर्यसीररक्षन्धं श्येनो जवसा निरदीयम् ॥१॥
 न घा स मामप जोषं जभाराभीमास त्वक्षसा वीर्येण ।
 ईर्मा पुरंधिरजहादरातीरुत वातां अतरच्छृङ्गवानः ॥२॥
 अव यच्छयेनो अस्वनीदघ द्योर्वि यद्यदि वातं ऊहुः पुरंधिम ।
 सृजयदंसा अव ह क्षिपज्यां कृशानुरस्ता मनसा भुरण्यन् ॥३॥

27.

Gárbhe nú sánn ánv eshām avedam ahám devānām jā-
 nimāni víśvā | śatām mā púra áyasīr arakshann ádha syenó
 javásā nír adīyam || 1 || ná ghā sá mām āpa jósham jabhā-
 rābhīm āsa tvākshasā víryeṇa | īrmā púramdhir ajahād árā-
 tīr utá vātāñ atarac chūśuvānaḥ || 2 || áva yác chyenó ásva-
 nīd ádha dyór ví yád yádi vāta ūhúḥ púramdhim | sṛijād
 yád asmā áva ha kshipáj jyām kṛīśānur ástā mánasā bhu-
 ranṇyān || 3 ||

ऋजिप्य ईमिन्द्रावतो न भुज्यं श्येनो जभार बृहतो अधि ष्णोः ।

अन्तः पतत्पतन्त्यस्य पूर्णमधु यामन्ति प्रसितस्त तद्देः ॥४॥

अधं श्वेतं कलशं गोभिरक्तमापिप्यानं मधवा शुक्रमन्धः ।

अध्वर्युभिः प्रयतं मध्वो अग्रमिन्द्रो मदाय प्रति धृत्पिबन्ध्वे शूरो मदाय प्रति धृत्पिबन्ध्वे ॥५॥

rijipyá īm īndrāyato ná bhujyūm syenó jabhāra
 bṛiható ádhi śhmōḥ | antāḥ patat patatry āsya parṇām ádha
 yāmani prásitasya tát véḥ || 4 || ádha śvetām kalāṣam gó-
 bhir aktām āpipyānām maghāvā śukrām ándhaḥ | adhvar-
 yūbhīḥ prāyatam mādhuvo ágram índro mādāya prāti dhat
 pibadhyai śúro mādāya prāti dhat pibadhyai || 5 ||

As I lay within the womb, I know all the births of these divinities in their order; a hundred fortresses of iron confine me, but as a falcon I come forth with rapid speed. ¹

That embryo does not beguile me into perfect delight, and by the powerful vision of divine wisdom, I triumph over it. And being then the impeller of all, the sustainer of many, I destroy adversaries, and expanding, pass beyond the winds of worldly troubles. ²

When the divine falcon roars loudly with exultation, on his descent from celestial region, and the guardians of the elixir perceive that the elixir has been carried away by it, then the archer, pursuing with the speed of thought, and stringing his bow, let fly an arrow against it. ³

The straight-flying falcon carries off the vast and lofty heaven, as the pair of twin divines, carries off the rescuer from the region of Supreme Lord. Then a falling feather, from the body of the divine bird, drops from him, wounded in the conflict. ⁴

Now after damage, let the bounteous (bird, the soul) drink the pure, nutritious, sacrificial elixir, filled in a bright pitcher, full of divine knowledge and devotion, offered by the pious priests. May he, the hero, drink this sweet spiritual elixir, drink it for his spiritual bliss. ⁵

(२८) अष्टाविंश सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्वेद्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्र इन्द्रासोमी वा देवते । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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त्वा युजा तव तत्सोम सख्य इन्द्रो अपो मनवे सखुतस्कः ।
 अहन्नहिमरिणात्सुप्त सिन्धूनपवृणोदपिहितेव खानि ॥१॥
 त्वा युजा नि विदुत्सूर्यस्येन्द्रश्चक्रं सहसा सद्य इन्द्रो ।
 अधि ण्णुना बृहता वर्तमानं महो ब्रुहो अप विश्वायु धायि ॥२॥
 अहन्निन्द्रो अदहदग्निर्इन्द्रो पुरा दस्पृन्मध्यन्दिनादभीके ।
 दुर्गे दुरोणे क्त्वा न यातां पुरु सहस्रा शर्वा नि बर्हीत् ॥३॥

28.

Tvá yujá táva tát soma sakhyá indro apó mánave sa-
 srútas kaḥ | áhann áhim áriṇāt saptá síndhūn ápāvṛiṇod
 ápihiteva kháni || 1 || tvá yujá ní khidat sūryasyéndraṣ ca-
 krám sáhasā sadyá indo | ádhi ṣṇúnā bṛihatá vartamānam
 mahó druho ápa viśvāyu dhāyi || 2 || áhann indro ádahad
 agnir indo purá dásyūn madhyāṃdinād abhíke | durgé du-
 roné krátvā ná yātām purū sahasrā śárvā ní barhīt || 3 ||

विश्वस्मात्सोमध्रुमौ इन्द्र दस्पृन्विशो दासीरकृणोरप्रशस्ताः ।
 अवाधेयाममृणतं नि शत्रुनाविन्देयामपचितिं वधत्रैः ॥४॥
 एवा सत्यं मघवाना युवं तदिन्द्रश्च सोमोर्वमभ्यं गोः ।
 आर्ददत्तमपिहितान्यश्ना रिरिचथुः क्षाश्चित्तदुना ॥५॥

viśvasmāt sīm adhamāñ indra dásyūn viśo dāsīr akrīṇor
 apraśastāḥ | ábādhethām āmṛiṇatañ ní śátrūn ávindethām
 ápacitiṃ vādhatraiḥ || 4 || evá satyám maghavānā yuvám tát
 indraṣ ca somorvám áśvyam góḥ | ádardṛitam ápihitāny
 áṣṇā riricáthuḥ kshás cit tatṛidāná || 5 ||

Through that friendship, O blissful elixir, which unites you with your friend—inner self, he makes the thoughts flow for men; he destroys the devil of ignorance, and sends forth the faculties—seven senses. He opens the hidden divine wisdom. 1

With your alliance, O blissful, the soul quickly takes off by force the wheel of the chariot of the sun, the great oppressor, rolling far above in the high summit of the firmament. 2

The inner self destroys evils, O Lord of bliss, and divine fire consumes them before the noon worship. He casts down many a thousand fortresses of evils, usually difficult to be detected. 3

O resplendent self, you make these devils devoid of all benefits; you subdue the tendencies of oppression. May you, O soul and Lord of bliss, repel and destroy animosities and accept our homage for this glorious fight. 4

O soul and Lord of bliss, possessor of wealth, destroyer of evils, it is indeed true that you burst open the doors of wisdom and vitality, which lie concealed, and you restore the land, recovered by your strength. 5

(२९) एकोनविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्विंशत्यम् सुक्तम् योनितो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । विष्णु छन्दः ॥

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आ नः स्तुत उप वाजेभिस्तुती इन्द्र याहि हरिभिर्मन्दसानः ।

तिरश्चिदुयः सर्वना पुरुष्याङ्गेषभिर्गृणानः सत्यराधाः ॥ १ ॥

आ हि प्मा याति नर्यश्चिकित्वा न्ह्यमानः सोतृभिर्य यज्ञम् ।

स्वश्चो यो अभीर्हमन्यमानः सुष्वाणेभिर्मदति सं ह वीरेः ॥ २ ॥

श्रावयेदस्य कर्णा वाजयध्ये जुष्टामनु त्र दिशो मन्दुवधैः ।

उद्धावृषाणो राधसे तुविष्मान्करञ्ज इन्द्रः सुतीर्थामयं च ॥ ३ ॥

29.

Ā na stutā ūpa vājebhir ūtī indra yāhī bāribhir man-
dasānāḥ | tirāś eīd aryāḥ sāvanā purāṇy āṅgūshēbhir grī-
ṇānāḥ satyārādhāḥ || 1 || ā hī shmā yāti nāryaś cikitvān
hūyamānaḥ sotribhir ūpa yajñām | svāsvo yó ābhīrur mán-
yamānaḥ sushvāṇēbhir mādati sām ha vīraḥ || 2 || śrāváyéd
asya kárnā vājayādhyai júshtām ānu prā dīsam mandayā-
dhyai | udvāvṛishāṇó rádhase tūvishmān káran na índraḥ
sutīrthābhayam ca || 3 ||

अच्छा यो गन्ता नाधमानमृती इत्या विप्रं हवमानं गृणन्तम् ।

उप त्मनि दधानो धुर्याश्शुन्तस्सहस्राणि शतानि वज्रबाहुः ॥ ४ ॥

त्वोतांसो मघवन्निन्द्र विप्रो वयं ते स्याम सूरयो गृणन्तः ।

भेजानासो बृहद्विष्य राय आकाय्यस्य दावने पुरुक्षोः ॥ ५ ॥

āchā yó gāntā nādhamānam ūtī
itthā vipram hāvamānam grīṇāntam | ūpa tmāni dādhāno
dhury āśūn sahasrāṇi śatāni vajrabāhuḥ || 4 || tvótāso ma-
ghavann indra viprā vayām te syāma sūrayo grīṇāntaḥ |
bhejānāso bṛihāddivasya rāyā ākāyyāsya dāvāne purukshoh
|| 5 ||

Revered and lauded with sacred hymns, O resplendent Lord, most virtuous, and embodiment of truth, may you come with the speed of rays, through the ecstasy of your strength, to our places of work and worship, for our protection. 1

May He, the best friend of man, the omniscient, come to the place of worship, invoked by the singers of sacred hymns. He is possessed of vital energies, fearless, honoured by the seekers of spiritual joy. He rejoices the company of heroic forces. 2

May you make his ears listen, that he may be vigorous and show his delight from all sides. May He, the vigorous Lord, pouring forth his bounteous blessings, show us the right path and confer perfect safety, free from danger. 3

That resplendent Lord comes to His implorer, to the sage, who with his songs invites Him. He is armed with the bolt of punitive justice, and possesses hundreds and thousands of swift-going horse-like vital elements in the shafts of His divine chariot. 4

O opulent resplendent Lord, may we, the singers, the highly enlightened priests, protected by you, share the riches, sent from lofty heaven, which yield brilliant wealth and abundant food, cherished by all. 5

(३०) विंशं सूक्तम्

(१-२४) चतुर्विंशत्सूक्तस्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-८, १२-२४) प्रथमाष्टकां
द्वादश्यादिवयोदशानाञ्चन्द्रः, (९-११) नवम्यादितृचम्य चेन्द्रोपसौ देवते । (१-७, ९-२३)
प्रथमादित्तत्त्वां नवम्यादिषड्दशानाञ्च ना.पत्री, (८, २४) अष्टमीचतुर्विंशोत्थातुष्टुप् उन्दरी ॥

॥१९॥ नकिरिन्द्र त्वदुत्तरो न ज्यायँ अस्ति वृत्रहन् । नकिरेवा यथा त्वम् ॥१॥
सन्ना ते अनु कृष्टयो विश्वा चक्रेव वावृतुः । सन्ना मुहौं असि श्रुतः ॥२॥
विश्वे चनेदुना त्वा देवास इन्द्र युयुधुः । यदहा नक्तमातिरः ॥३॥
यत्रोत बाधितेभ्यश्चक्रं कुत्साय युध्यते । मुषाय इन्द्र सूर्यम् ॥४॥
यत्र देवाँ ऋचायतो विश्वाँ अयुध्य एक इत् । त्वमिन्द्र वनूरहन् ॥५॥

30.

Nákir indra tvád úttaro ná jyáyāñ asti vritrahan | ná-
kir evá yáthā tvám || 1 || satrá te ánu kṛishṭáyo víśvā ca-
kréva vāvrituḥ | satrá mahāñ asi śrutáh || 2 || víśve canéd
aná tvā devása indra yuyudhuḥ | yád áhā náktam átiraḥ
|| 3 || yátrotá bādhitébhyas cakráṃ kútsāya yúdhyaṭe | mu-
shāyá indra sūryam || 4 || yátra devāñ ṛighāyató víśvāñ
áyudhya éka ít | tvám indra vanúñr áhan || 5 ||

॥२०॥ यत्रोत मर्त्याय कमरिणा इन्द्र सूर्यम् । प्रावः शचीभिरेतशम् ॥६॥
किमादुतासि वृत्रहन्मघवन्मनुमत्तमः । अग्राह दानुमातिरः ॥७॥
एतदेदुत वीर्यमिन्द्र चकर्थ पौंस्यम् ।
स्त्रियं यदुर्हणायुचं वधीर्दुहितरं दिवः ॥८॥
दिवश्चिद्धा दुहितरं महान्महीयमानाम् । उपासमिन्द्र सं पिणक् ॥९॥

yátrotá mártyaaya kām áriṇā indra sūryam | právaḥ śá-
cībhir étaṣam || 6 || kím ád utási vritrahan mághavan man-
yumáttamaḥ | átráha dánuṃ átiraḥ || 7 || etád ghéd utá ví-
ryām indra cakártha pauñsyam | stríyam yád durhaṇāyú-
vaṃ vádhīr duhitáram diváh || 8 || divás cid ghā duhitáram
mahāñ mahiyámānām | ushāsana indra sám piṇak || 9 ||

There is no one, O resplendent dispeller of darkness, superior to you; no one better than you; there is no one, verily, such as you are. 1

Verily, men are attached to you, as the wheels to the chariot. In truth, you are great and renowned. 2

Verily, all Nature's forces, associated with you to obtain strength, confront with evil forces, then you destroy the opposing forces by day and by night. 3

In that contest, for the sake of wise sage, and his allies, you raise the wheel of the sun—the source of divine illumination. 4

In that contest indeed you singly fight with all those opposing forces. You strike down the malignant. 5

In that contest, O Lord, you speedily send forth the force of the sun (light-divine) for the sake of a mortal, and protect the diligent and wise man, like a skilled horse, by your divine radiance. 6

O opulent Lord, destroyer of evils, do you not thereupon become most eager, and, in consequence, strike down the evil forces. 7

Inasmuch as O Lord, you display such manly prowess, you smite down such forces, who conceive ill, like the sun wiping off the dawn — the daughter of the sky. 8

O supreme mighty Lord, you wipe off the evil, as the sun wipes off the glorious dawn, the daughter of heaven, whilst lifting herself with pride. 9

अपोषा अनसः सरत्संपिष्टादहं विभ्युशी । नि यत्सीं शिश्रधृषा ॥१०॥

áposhā ánasah sarat sámpishtād áha bibhyūshī | ní yát sīm
śiśhādhad vṛishā ॥ 10 ॥

॥२१॥ एतदस्या अनः शये सुसंपिष्टं विपाश्या । ससारं सीं परावतः ॥११॥
उत सिन्धुं विबाल्यं वितस्थानामधि क्षमि । परिं छा इन्द्र मायया ॥१२॥
उत शुष्णस्य धृष्णुया प्र मृक्षो अभि वेदनम् । पुरो यदस्य संपिणक् ॥१३॥
उत दासं कौलितरं बृहतः पर्वतादधि । अवाहन्निन्द्र शम्बरम् ॥१४॥
उत दासस्य वृचिनः सहस्राणि शतावधीः । अधि पञ्च प्रधीरिव ॥१५॥

etād asyā ánah śaye súsampishtam vípāsy ā | sasāra
sīm parāvataḥ ॥ 11 ॥ utá síndhum vibālyam vitasthānām
ádhi kshāmi | pári shthā indra māyáyā ॥ 12 ॥ utá súshṇa-
sya dhṛishṇuyā prá mṛiksho abhí védanam | puro yád asya
sampiṇák ॥ 13 ॥ utá dāsam kaulitarām bṛihatāḥ párvatād
ádhi | ávāham indra śambaram ॥ 14 ॥ utá dāsasya vareṇaḥ
sahásrāṇi śatāvadhīḥ | ádhi páñca pradhīr iva ॥ 15 ॥

॥२२॥ उत त्वं पुत्रमगुवः परावृक्तं शतक्रतुः । उक्थेष्विन्द्र आभजत् ॥१६॥
उत त्या तुर्वशायदू अस्नातारा शचीपतिः । इन्द्रो विद्वां अपारयत् ॥१७॥
उत त्या सद्य आर्या सरयोरिन्द्र पारतः । अर्णाचित्ररथावधीः ॥१८॥
अनु द्वा जहिता नयोऽन्धं श्रोणं च वृत्रहन् । न तत्ते सुन्नमष्टये ॥१९॥

utá tyām putrām agrúvaḥ parāvṛiktam śatákratuḥ |
ukthéshv indra ábhajat ॥ 16 ॥ utá tyā turváśāyádū asnātārā
śácipatīḥ | indro vidvāñ apārayat ॥ 17 ॥ utá tyā sadyā áryā
saráyor indra párataḥ | árṇācitrārathāvadhiḥ ॥ 18 ॥ ánu dvā
jahitā nayo 'ndhām śroṇām ca vṛitraban | ná tát te su-
nnám ástave ॥ 19 ॥

Like the terrified dawn, the evil force descends from the broken chariot of cosmos, when the showerer of benefits smash it. 10

Then her shattered chariot starts journey on unobstructed paths, and she flies far away. 11

You sustain over-flowing stream of rivers over the land by your contrivance. 12

Valiantly you seize and carry off the wealth of exploiter, amassed by him, and then demolish his strong-holds. 13

Like the sun, may you strike down the dark clouds of evils, the source of all sins, hurling them off from the lofty mountain. 14

You annihilate the hundred, thousand and the five followers of the powerful infidels surrounding him like the fellies round the spokes of the wheel. 15

O resplendent Lord, performer of hundred noble deeds, may you make the descendants of brave leader, participants in singing sacred hymns. 16

The Lord of deeds, the all-wise, bears the stout and hard-working persons, denied of sacred rituals, across their difficulties. 17

You destroy at once those two kinds of people of status who are either money hoarders or are the power-blinds, living across the borders. 18

O destroyer of evils, you restore the two—the blind and the crippled, both abandoned. What more happiness could they have than the one given by you ! 19

शतमश्मन्मयीनां पुरामिन्द्रो व्यास्यत् । दिवोदासाय दाशुषे ॥२०॥

śatām aśmanmāyīnam purām indro vy
āsyat | divodāsāya dāśuṣhe ॥ 20 ॥

॥२३॥ अस्वापयद्भीतये सहस्रां त्रिंशतं हथैः । दासानामिन्द्रो मायया ॥२१॥
स घेदुतासि वृत्रहन्त्समानं इन्द्र गोपतिः । यस्ता विश्वानि चिच्युषे ॥२२॥
उत नूनं यदिन्द्रियं करिष्या इन्द्र पौंस्यम् । अद्या नकिष्टदा मिनत् ॥२३॥
वामं वामं त आदुरे देवो ददात्वयमा ।
वामं पूषा वामं भगो वामं देवः करुळती ॥२४॥

āsvāpayad dabhītaye sahasrā triṅśatam hāthaiḥ | dāsā-
nām indro māyāyā ॥ 21 ॥ sā ghéd utāsi vritrahan samānā
indra gopatiḥ | yās tā viśvāni cicyushé ॥ 22 ॥ utā nūnām
yād indriyām karishyā indra pauṁsyam | adyā nākish tād
ā minat ॥ 23 ॥ vāmām-vāmām ta ādure devó dadātv ar-
yamā | vāmām pūshā vāmām bhāgo vāmām devāḥ kārūlati
॥ 24 ॥

(३१) एकत्रिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-२, ४-१५) प्रथमाद्वितीय-
योऽर्च्योऽथतृत्यादिद्वादशानाम् गायत्री, (३) तृतीयायाश्च पादनिबृच्छन्दसी ॥

॥२४॥ कया नश्चित्र आ भुवदुती सदावृधः सखा । कया शचिष्ठया वृता ॥१॥
कस्त्वा सत्यो मदानां मंहिष्ठो मत्सुदन्धसः । दृळ्हा चिदारुणे वसु ॥२॥

31.

Kāyā naṣ citrá ā bhuvad ūtī sadāvṛidhaḥ sākḥā | kāyā
śácishṭhayā vṛitā ॥ 1 ॥ kās tvā satyó mādānām mánhishṭho
matsad āndhasaḥ | dṛiḥhā cid ārúje vásu ॥ 2 ॥

O resplendent Lord, you overthrow hundred stone-built cities for the benefit of a dedicated and loyal devotee. 20

The Lord put to sleep, by device and violent forces thirty thousand of law-breakers, for the sake of law and order. 21

O destroyer of evils, you are the same to all your worshippers. You are the Lord of wisdom, who cast down all adversaries. 22

Indeed, O Lord, when you are in the best of your vigour, none be there now to resist it. 23

O destroyer of evils, may the divine ordainer, grant us more and more of precious wealth. May the Lord nourisher grant us splendid wealth. May the gracious Lord and lover of craftsmen give all charming things to us. 24

31

By what means may He, who is ever augmenting, wonderful and friendly, come to us, and by what most effective contribution ? 1

What genuine and most earnest devotional offerings—like nourishing food, would inspirit you to win over evil thoughts and procure formidable treasures. 2

अभी षु णः सखीनामविता जंरितृणाम् । शतं भवात्स्युतिभिः ॥३॥
 अभी न आ ववृत्स्व चक्रं न वृत्तमर्वतः । नियुद्धिर्धर्षणीनाम् ॥४॥
 प्रवता हि कर्तृनामा हा पदेव गच्छसि । अमहि सूर्ये सचा ॥५॥

abhī shū nah
 sákhinām avitá jaritrīnām | śatām bhavāsy ūtibhiḥ || 3 ||
 abhī na á vavṛitsva cakráṃ ná vṛittám árvataḥ | niyúdbhiḥ
 carshaṇīnām || 4 || pravátā hí krátūnām á hā padéva gá-
 chasi | ábhakshi sūrye sácā || 5 ||

॥२५॥ सं यत्त इन्द्र मन्यवः सं चक्राणि दधन्विरे । अथ त्वे अथ सूर्ये ॥६॥
 उत स्मा हि त्वामाहुरिन्मघवानं शचीपते । दातारमविदीधयुम् ॥७॥
 उत स्मा सद्य इत्परि शशमानाय सुन्वते । पुरु चिन्महसे वसु ॥८॥
 नहि प्मा ते शतं च न राधो वरन्त आमुः । न च्यौनानि करिष्यतः ॥९॥
 अस्मौ अवन्तु ते शतमस्मान्सहस्रमृतयः । अस्मान्विश्वा अभिष्टयः ॥१०॥

sám yát ta indra manyávaḥ sám cakráṇi dadhanviré |
 ádha tvé ádha sūrye || 6 || utá smā hí tvám āhūr in ma-
 ghávānaṃ śacīpate | dátāram ávidīdhayum || 7 || utá smā
 sadyá ít pári śaśamānáya sunvaté | purú cin mañhase vásu
 || 8 || nahí shmā te śatám caná rádho vāranta āmúraḥ | ná
 cyautnāni karishyataḥ || 9 || asmāñ avantu te śatám asmān
 sahásram ūtáyaḥ | asmān víśvā abhīṣṭayaḥ || 10 ||

॥२६॥ अस्मौ इहा वृणीष्व सख्याय स्वस्तये । महो राये दिविर्मते ॥११॥
 अस्मौ अविद्धि विश्वहेन्द्र राया परीणसा । अस्मान्विश्वाभिरुतिभिः ॥१२॥
 अस्मभ्य तौ अपा वृधि व्रजौ अस्तेव गोमतः । नवाभिरिन्द्रोतिभिः ॥१३॥

asmāñ ibá vṛṇīṣhva sakhyāya svastāye | mahó rāyē di-
 vítmate || 11 || asmāñ aviddhi víśvāhendra rāyá parīṇasā |
 asmān víśvābhir ūtibhiḥ || 12 || asmābhyam táñ ápā vṛidhi
 vrajāñ ásteva gómataḥ | návābhir indrotibhiḥ || 13 ||

May you, the protector of us, your friends and admirers,
come to us with a hundred protections. 3

Attracted by the praises of men, may you come speedily to
us like a horse-driven, revolving wheel. 4

You swiftly come in a downward direction to sacred places
of worship, as if to your own abode. I glorify you along
with your divine refulgence. 5

Our adorations, and these sacred ceremonies when
addressed to you, first proceed to you, and then to your
effulgence. 6

O Lord of all holy acts, men call you bounteous, munifi-
cent, and free from all blemishes. 7

And verily, you give promptly abundant wealth to him,
who praises you, and offers loving devotion. 8

Adversaries cannot deprive you of hundred-fold opulence,
nor resist your great forces when you react. 9

May your hundred and thousand protections preserve us ;
may all your desires be our blessings. 10

May you prefer to select us, on this occasion, for your
friendship, and our prosperity and for great celestial
opulence. 11

Favour us, O resplendent Lord, daily with infinite riches
and protection and bless us with all. 12

With fresh protections, O Lord supreme, like an archer,
open for us the doors of pastures with grazing cattles. 13

अस्माकं धृष्णुया रथो द्युमाँ इन्द्रानपच्युतः । गव्युरश्वयुरीयते ॥१४॥
 अस्माकमुत्तमं कृधि श्रवो देवेषु सूर्य । वर्षिष्ठं यामिवोपरि ॥१५॥

asmā-

kaṁ dhrishṇuyā rātho dyumāñ indrānapacyutaḥ | gavyúr
 aṣvayúr iyate || 14 || asmākaṁ uttamam kṛidhi śrávo devé-
 shu sūrya | vārshishṭham dyām ivopári || 15 ||

(३२) द्वाविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-२४) चतुर्विंशत्युपस्थास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव कविः । (१-२२) प्रथमादिद्वाविंशत्युपस्थानिन्द्रः

(२३-२४) त्रयोविंशत्युपस्थानिभ्योऽन्धस्याथो देवताः । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥२७॥ आ तू ने इन्द्र वृत्रहन्नास्माकमर्धमा गहि । महान्महीभिरुतिभिः ॥१॥
 भूमिश्चिद्वासि तृतुजिरा चित्र चित्रिणीष्व । चित्रं कृणोष्युतये ॥२॥
 दुभ्रेभिश्चिच्छरीयांसं हंसि वार्धन्तमोजसा । सखिभिर्ये त्वे सचा ॥३॥
 वयमिन्द्र त्वे सचा वयं त्वामि नोनुमः । अस्माँअस्माँ इदुदव ॥४॥
 स नश्चित्राभिरद्विवोऽनव्याभिरुतिभिः । अनाघृष्टाभिरा गहि ॥५॥

32.

Ā tú na indra vṛtrahann asmākaṁ ardhām ā gahi |
 mahān mahībhir ūtibhiḥ || 1 || bhrīmiṣ cid ghāsi tūtujir ā
 citra citrīṇishv ā | citrām kṛiṇoshy ūtāye || 2 || dabhrébhiḥ
 cic chāṣiyāṅsam hānsi vrādhantam ōjasā | sākhibhir yé tvé
 sácā || 3 || vayām indra tvé sácā vayām tvābhī nonumaḥ |
 asmāñ-asmāñ id úd ava || 4 || sá naṣ citrābhir adrivo 'na-
 vadyābhir ūtibhiḥ | ánādhṛishṭābhir ā gahi || 5 ||

May our victory-chariot, the winner of cows and horses, brilliant and unfailing, O resplendent Lord, proceed everywhere unobstructed. 14

O Lord, may you make our fame exalted among the learned just as the sun places the rain—shedding celestial region over all the lower ones. 15

32

O mighty resplendent Lord, dispeller of darkness, may you come to help us with your mighty protections. 1

You the swift and ever moving, O marvellous Lord, amazing are your deeds, for the protection of those who are engaged in wondrous works. 2

You destroy, by your strength, the fierce and assailing evil forces to help faithful friends, howsoever humble. 3

O resplendent Lord, we are close friends to you, and glorify you with reverence. May you protect us from all sides. 4

O wielder of the punitive justice, may you come to us, with wondrous, irreproachable and irresistible protections. 5

॥२८॥ भूयामो णु त्वावतः सखाय इन्द्र गोमतः । युजो वाजाय घृष्वये ॥६॥
 त्वं ह्येक ईशिष इन्द्र वाजस्य गोमतः । स नो यन्धि महीमिषम् ॥७॥
 न त्वा वरन्ते अन्यथा यद्विस्सिस्तुतो मघम् । स्तोत्रम्य इन्द्र गिर्वणः ॥८॥
 अग्नि त्वा गोतमा गिरानूषतु प्र दावने । इन्द्र वाजाय घृष्वये ॥९॥
 प्र ते वोचाम वीर्यांश्च या मन्दसान आरुजः । पुरो दासीरभीत्य ॥१०॥

bhūyāmo shu tvāvataḥ sakhāya indra gómataḥ | yūjo
 vājāya ghrīshvaye || 6 || tvām hy éka īśisha indra vājasya
 gómataḥ | sá no yandhi mahīm ísham || 7 || ná tvā varante
 anyāthā yád dītsasi śtutó maghām | stotrībhya indra girva-
 naḥ || 8 || abhi tvā gótamā girānushata prā dāvāne | indra
 vājāya ghrīshvaye || 9 || prā te vocāma vīryā yā mandasāná
 ārujah | puro dāsīr abhītya || 10 ||

॥२९॥ ता ते गृणन्ति वेधसो यानि चकर्थ पौंस्या । सुतेष्विन्द्र गिर्वणः ॥११॥
 अर्वावृधन्त गोतमा इन्द्र त्वे स्तोमवाहसः । ऐषु धा वीरवाहाः ॥१२॥
 यच्चिद्धि अश्वतामसीन्द्र साधारणस्त्वम् । तं त्वा वयं हवामहे ॥१३॥
 अर्वाचीनो वसो भवास्मे सु मत्त्वान्वसः । सोमानामिन्द्र सोमपाः ॥१४॥
 अस्माकं त्वा मतीनामा स्तोम इन्द्र यच्छतु । अर्वागा वर्तया हरी ॥१५॥

tā te gṛṇanti vedhāso yāni cakārtha paūnsyā | suteshva
 indra girvanah || 11 || āvīridhanta gótamā indra tvé stoma-
 vāhasaḥ | aishu dhā vīravad yāṣaḥ || 12 || yāc cid dhī śa-
 ṣvatām āsindra sādharāṇas tvām | tāṃ tvā vayām havā-
 mahē || 13 || arvācīno vaso bhavāsmé sū matsvāndhasaḥ |
 sōmānām indra somapāḥ || 14 || asmākaṃ tvā matinām ā
 stōma indra yachatu | arvāga vartayā hārī || 15 ||

May we be friends of one like you, O resplendent Lord, the possessor of wisdom, for the sake of abundant wealth and vigour. 6

O resplendent Lord, you alone are the master of our cattle and crop. May you grant us ample food. 7

You decide to bestow wealth to devotees, O resplendent Lord worthy of adoration; none can dare change you from your decision. 8

The most enlightened devotees glorify you with praise, that you may grant ample wealth and vigour. 9

We proclaim your prowess, whereby, through the ecstasy of joy, you proceed to attack the evil-minded and overpower their strong-holds. 10

O resplendent Lord, lauded by sacred hymns, the pious sages celebrate your heroic deeds, performed through the exhilaration of devotional love. 11

The most enlightened sages, offerers of praise, exalt you, O resplendent Lord! may you bestow upon them fame and posterity. 12

Verily your blessings are ever showered on all equally, and hence do we invoke you. 13

O resplendent Lord, the giver of all comforts, acceptor of devotional love, be present with us, and be delighted by the sweet melodies of our prayers. 14

O resplendent Lord, may these praises, which we present to you bring you to us. May you turn both of your horses (of chariot) hitherward. 15

पुरोळाशं च नो घसो जोषयासे गिरश्च नः । वधूयुरिव योषणाम् ॥१६॥

purolā-

saṁ ca no gháso josháyāse gíraṣ ca naḥ | vadhūyúr iva
yóṣhaṇām ॥ 16 ॥

॥३०॥ सहस्रं व्यतीनां युक्तानामिन्द्रमीमहे । शतं सोमस्य खार्यः ॥१७॥
सहस्रा ते शता वयं गवामा च्यावयामसि । अस्मत्ता राध एतु ते ॥१८॥
दश ते कलशानां हिरण्यानामधीमहि । भूरिदा असि वृत्रहन् ॥१९॥
भूरिदा भूरि देहि नो मा दभ्रं भूर्या भर । भूरि घेदिन्द्र दित्ससि ॥२०॥
भूरिदा ह्यसि श्रुतः पुत्रा शूर वृत्रहन् । आ नो भजस्व राधसि ॥२१॥
प्र ते बभ्रू विचक्षणं शंसामि गोषणो नपात् । माभ्यां गा अनु शिश्रथः ॥२२॥
कनीनकेव विद्रधे नवे द्रुपदे अर्भके । बभ्रू यामेषु शोभेते ॥२३॥
अरं म उस्त्रयाम्णेऽरमनुस्त्रयाम्णे । बभ्रू यामेष्वस्त्रिधा ॥२४॥

sahásraṁ vyátināṁ yuktānām indram īmahe | ṣatām só-
masya khāryaḥ ॥ 17 ॥ sahásrā te ṣatā vayāṁ gāvām ā cyā-
vayāmasi | asmatrá rādha etu te ॥ 18 ॥ dáśa te kaláśānām
híraṇyānām adhīmahi | bhūridā asi vṛitrahan ॥ 19 ॥ bhūridā
bhūri dehi no mā dabhrām bhūry ā bhara | bhūri ghéd in-
dra ditsasi ॥ 20 ॥ bhūridā hy āsi ṣrutāḥ purutrā śūra vṛi-
trahan | ā no bhajasva rādhasi ॥ 21 ॥ prā te babhrū vica-
kṣhaṇa śānsāmi goṣhaṇo napāt | mābhyām gā ānu śiṣra-
thaḥ ॥ 22 ॥ kanīnakéva vidradhé náve drupadé arbhaké |
babhrū yāmeshu śobhete ॥ 23 ॥ áram ma usráyāmṇé 'ram
ánusrayāmṇe | babhrū yāmeshv asrídhā ॥ 24 ॥

May you accept our offerings of butter and cakes and be delighted by our praises, as a libertine by the caresses of a woman. 16

We solicit resplendent Lord, for swift moving transport vehicles in response to our hundreds of devotional prayers. 17

We seek to bring down from you, thousands and hundreds of cattles. May your wealth flow to us freely. 18

May we obtain from you, ten pitchers of gold; for you, O dispeller of darkness, are a bountiful giver. 19

A bountiful giver you are, O resplendent Lord; may you give us bountifully, not little, give plenty; for verily you desire to give more and ever more. 20

O brave dispeller of darkness, verily you are renowned among many as a bountiful giver. Make us partner of your treasures. 21

O eternal omniscient protector and sustainer of wisdom, I praise the pair of your horse-like energies. May you not let our cow of mind be frightened with them. 22

Like two puppets, on an arranged new and slender stage, your two faculties—mental and vital—are brilliant at the cosmic sacrifice. 23

Blessed are your brown steeds when they move to the upper solstice, and blessed are they when move to the opposite one; they are innocuous at both the sacrifices. 24

(३३) वपस्त्रिं सुकम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सृजत्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । क्रभवो देवताः । विदुषु छन्दः ॥

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प्र ऋभुभ्यो दूतमिव वाचमिव उपस्तिरे श्वैतरं धेनुमीळे ।
 ये वार्तजूतास्तरणिभिरेवैः परि यां सुयो अपसौ बभूवुः ॥१॥
 यदारमक्रन्नभवः पितृभ्यां परिविष्टी वेषणा दुंसनाभिः ।
 आदिहैवानामुप सख्यमायन्धीरासः पुष्टिमवहन्मनायै ॥२॥
 पुनर्ये चक्रुः पितरा युवाना सना यूषेव जरुणा शयाना ।
 ते वाजो विभ्यौ ऋभुरिन्द्रवन्तो मधुप्सरसो नोऽवन्तु युद्धम् ॥३॥

33.

Prá ṛibhúbhyo dūtām iva vācam ishya upastīre śvaita-
 rīm dhenūm ile | yé vātajūtās tarāṇibhir évaiḥ pári dyām
 sadyó apáso babhūvūḥ || 1 || yadāram ákrann ṛibhávah pi-
 trībhyām párivishṭī veshāṇā daṇśānābhiḥ | ād íd devānam
 ūpa sakhyām āyan dhīrásah pushtīm avahan manāyai || 2 ||
 pūnar yé cakrūḥ pitārā yuvānā sánā yūpeva jaraṇā śa-
 yānā | té vājo víbhyān ṛibhūr índravanto mādhpasaraso no
 'vantu yajñām || 3 ||

यत्संवत्समृभवो गामरक्षन्यत्संवत्समृभवो मा अपिंशन् ।
 यत्संवत्समभरन्भासो अस्यास्ताभिः शर्माभिरमृतत्वमाशुः ॥४॥
 ज्येष्ठ आह चमसा द्वा करेति कर्नीयान्नीन्हृणवाभेत्साह ।
 कनिष्ठ आह चतुरस्करेति त्वष्ट ऋभवस्तर्पनयद्दत्तौ वः ॥५॥

yāt samvātsam ṛibhāvo gām ārakshan
 yāt samvātsam ṛibhāvo mā āpiñśan | yāt samvātsam ābha-
 ran bhāso asyās tābhiḥ śamibhir amṛitatvām āśuḥ || 4 || jye-
 shthā āha camasā dvā karēti kāniyan trīn kṛiṇavāmēty
 āha | kanishthā āha catūras karēti tvāshṭa ṛibhavas tát
 panayad vāco vah || 5 ||

I send my prayer as a messenger to the intellectuals; I solicit of them the words of sacred wisdom, the yielder of untinted truth. These words are swift as the wind, and the inspirers of noble deeds. These words of advice move freely across the dimension of space and time as if borne by rapid waves of the cosmic wind. 1

When the wise sages, by serving their parents with renovated youth, and by other works, achieve enough, they thereupon proceed to the society of the enlightened, and being friendly they bring nourishment to the devout worshipper. 2

May the physically, intellectually and spiritually advanced sages, always dedicated to resplendent Lord, and lovers of sweet spiritual joy, protect our noble deeds. These sages who render service to their decrepid and dropsy parents, who were laying like two dry posts, make them young again for ever. 3

When for a year, the wise sages preserve the barren land, for a year they invest it with fertility; for a year they continue effort to make it fertile; they obtain immortality by their noble deeds. 4

The eldest of the intellectuals said, "The universe is made of two hemispheres". The younger said, "There are three (the upper, the middle, the lower)." The youngest said, "It consists of four quadrants." The creator applauds this version. 5

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सत्यमृचुरनरं एवा हि चकुरन् स्वधामृभवो जग्मुरेताम् ।
 विभ्राजमानांश्चमसां अहेवावेनत्त्वष्टा चतुरो ददृश्वान् ॥६॥
 द्वादश द्यून्पदगोह्यस्यातिथ्ये रणन्नृभवः ससन्तः ।
 सुक्षेत्राकृष्णन्नयन्त सिन्धुन्धन्वातिष्ठन्नोपधीर्निघ्नमापः ॥७॥
 रथं ये चक्रुः सुवृत्तं नरेष्ठां ये धेनुं विश्वजुवं विश्वरूपाम् ।
 त आ तक्षन्वृभवो रथि नः स्ववसः स्वपसः सुहस्ताः ॥८॥
 अपो होषामर्जुपन्त देवा अभि कृत्वा मनसा दीर्घानाः ।
 वाजो देवानामभवत्सुकर्मन्द्रस्य ऋभुक्षा वरुणस्य विभ्वा ॥९॥

satyām ūeura nāra evā hi cakrūr ānu svadhām ṛibhāvo
 jagmur etām | vibhrājamānāṅś camasāṁ āhevāvenat tvāshtā
 catūro dadriṣvān || 6 || dvādaśa dyūn yād āgohyasyātithye
 rāṇann ṛibhavaḥ sasāntaḥ | suksheṭrākṛiṇvann ānayanta sīn-
 dhūn dhānvātishṭhann ośadhīr ninnām āpaḥ || 7 || rātham
 yē cakrūḥ suvṛitam nareshṭhām yē dhenūm viṣvajūvaṁ vi-
 svārūpām | tā ā takshantv ṛibhāvo rayīm naḥ svāvasaḥ
 svāpasah suhastāḥ || 8 || āpo hy eṣhām ājushanta devā abhī
 krātvā mānasā dīdhyānāḥ | vājo devānām abhavat sukār-
 ménḍrasya ṛibhukshā vāruṇasya vibhvā || 9 ||

ये हरी मेधयोक्था मदन्त इन्द्राय चक्रुः सुयुजा ये अश्वा ।
 ते रायस्पोषं द्रविणान्यस्मे धत्त ऋभवः क्षेमयन्तो न मित्रम् ॥१०॥
 इदाहः पीतिमुत वो मदं धुर्न ऋते श्रान्तस्य सख्याय देवाः ।
 ते नूनमस्मे ऋभवो वसूनि तृतीयं अस्मिन्त्सर्वे दधात ॥११॥

yē hārī me-
 dhāyokthā mādanta indrāya cakrūḥ suyujā yē āṣvā | té rā-
 yās pōsham drāviṇāny asmé dhattā ṛibhavaḥ kshemayānto
 nā mitrām || 10 || idāhnaḥ pītim utā vo mādam dhur nā rītē
 śrāntāsya sakhyāya devāḥ | té nūnām asmé ṛibhavo vāsūni
 tṛitīye asmīn sāvane dadhāta || 11 ||

The leaders of men speak truth, and so they classify the universe. Thereupon the intellectuals follow their inspired version. The supreme creator, beholding the quadrant classification, radiant as the day, expresses satisfaction. 6

When the intellectuals reposing for twelve days, remain in the close proximity of the unconcealable sun (the truth), they render the fields fertile. Let the rivers flow forth, let plants spring upon the hitherto barren land, and let waters spread over the low places. 7

These experienced intellectuals construct the firm abiding, wheel-conducting car; they rear many breads of milch-cow and are the bestowers of food, the doers of great deeds and dexterous. May they grant us riches. 8

The enlightened men are delighted by the work of sages. The mechanical technicians become favourite of the enlightened ones, electrical of the resplendent ones, and hydrodynamical of the venerable. 9

May these electrical technicians, deserving appreciation, who devise motors of vehicles, and construct for the resplendent the two docile engines (for roadways and waterways), bestow upon us satiety of riches and wealth of cattle, like those who devise prosperity for a friend. 10

The godly persons verily give you the exhilarating appreciation today. Not without toil, the divines get friendly with men. Therefore, O eminent sages, grant us wealth at this third term of worship. 11

(३४) ऋतुर्विशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चन्याम्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । क्रभवो देवताः । विष्णु उच्यते ॥

॥१॥ ऋभुर्विभ्वा वाज इन्द्रो नो अच्छेमं यज्ञं रत्नधेयोप यात ।
 इदा हि वो धिषणा देव्यह्नामधात्पीति सं मदा अगमता वः ॥१॥
 विद्वानासो जन्मनो वाजरत्ना उत ऋतुभिर्क्रभवो मादयध्वम् ।
 सं वो मदा अगमंत सं पुरंधिः सुवीरामसे रयिमेरयध्वम् ॥२॥
 अयं वो यज्ञ क्रभवोऽकारि यमा मनुष्वत्प्रदिवो दधिध्वे ।
 प्र वोऽच्छा जुजुषाणासो अस्थुरभूत विश्वे अग्निवोत वाजाः ॥३॥

34.

Ribhūr vibhvā vāja indro no áchemám yajñám ratna
 dhéyópa yāta | idā hí vo dhishánā devy áhnām ádhāt pī
 tīm sām mādā agmatā vah || 1 || vidānāso jānmano vāja
 ratnā utā řitúbhir řibhavo mādadayadhvam | sām vo mādī
 ágmata sām púramdhiḥ suvírām asmé rayīm érayadhvan
 || 2 || ayám vo yajñá řibhavo 'kāri yām á manushvát pra
 dívo dadhidhvé | prá vó 'chā jujushānāso asthur ábhūta víshva
 agriyótá vājāḥ || 3 ||

अभूद् वो विधते रत्नधेयमिदा नरो दाशुषे मर्त्याय ।
 पिबत वाजा क्रभवो ददे वो महि तृतीयं सर्वं मदाय ॥१॥
 आ वाजा यातोप न क्रभुश्चा महो नरो द्रविणसो गृणानाः
 आ वः पीतयोऽभिपित्वे अह्नामिमा अस्तै नवस्व इव गमन् ॥२॥

ábhūd u vo vidhaté ratnadhéyam idā
 naro dāṣuṣhe mārtyāya | píbata vājā řibhavo dadé vo máh
 řitīyam sávanam mādāya || 4 || á vājā yātópa na řibhukshā
 mahó naro dráviṇaso gṛiṇānāḥ | á vah pítāyo 'bhīpitva
 áhnām imā ástaraḥ navasvā iva gman || 5 ||

The illustrious technicians, electrical, hydrodynamical and physical, may grace our work and worship, to distribute precious things. These people of genius have toiled hard in their craft, the essence. Their exhilarating experience is collected for you all. 1

O brilliant sages of spiritual and physical realms, wise from the day of birth, may you rejoice together in appropriate seasons. The exhilarating appreciation is offered to you as well as the intellectual offerings. May you confer upon us riches with excellent posterity. 2

O spiritual leaders, this benevolent work is instituted for you. Being eminently resplendent, you have been doing it, like common men. These propitiatory offerings have been placed for you. O masters of physical realm, verily you are foremost leaders of the world. 3

Now, O leaders, this precious treasure is to be granted as gift to the dedicated mortal worshipper, who serves you. O leaders of physical and spiritual realms, this elixir is to gladden you in the third-afternoon—solemn ceremony. 4

O leaders of material and spiritual realm, come to us with the delight of accepting this rich and great offering. These sacred essences proceed to you, as the day is closing, as cows whose calves are newly born, return to their cow-shed. 5

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आ नपातः शवसा यातनोपेमं यज्ञं नमसा हुयमानाः ।
 सजोषसः सूरयो यस्य च स्व मध्वः पात रत्नधा इन्द्रवन्तः ॥६॥
 सजोषा इन्द्र वरुणेन सोमं सजोषाः पाहि गिरवो मरुद्भिः ।
 अग्नेषाभिर्ऋतुपाभिः सजोषा आस्पतीनी रत्नधाभिः सजोषाः ॥७॥
 सजोषस आदित्यैर्मदयध्वं सजोषस ऋभवः पर्वतेभिः ।
 सजोषसो दैव्येना सवित्रा सजोषसः सिन्धुभी रत्नधेभिः ॥८॥
 ये अश्विना ये पितरा य ऊती धेनुं ततश्चक्रुर्भवो ये अश्वः ।
 ये अंसत्रा य ऋधरोदसी ये विभ्यो नरः स्वपत्वानि चक्रुः ॥९॥

ā napātaḥ śavaso yātanópemám yajñám námasā hūyā-
 mānāḥ | sajóśhasaḥ sūrayo yásya ca sthá mādhrvaḥ pāta ra-
 tnadhā indravantaḥ || 6 || sajóśhā indra váruṇena sómam sa-
 jóśhāḥ pāhi girvaṇo marúdbhīḥ | agrepábhīr ṛitupábhīḥ sa-
 jóśhā gnāspátnībhi ratnadhābhīḥ sajóśhāḥ || 7 || sajóśhasa
 ādityaír mādayadhvaṃ sajóśhasa ṛibhavaḥ párvatebhīḥ | sa-
 jóśhaso daívyenā savitrā sajóśhasaḥ síndhubhī ratnadhébhiḥ
 || 8 || yé aśvinā yé pitārā yá ūtī dhenúm tataksahr ṛibhāvo
 ye aśvā | yé ánsatrā yá řidhag ródasi yé víbhvo nárah sva-
 patyāni cakrúḥ || 9 ||

ये गोमन्तं वाजवन्तं सुवीरं रयिं धृत्य वसुमन्तं पुरुक्षुम् ।
 ते अग्नेषा ऋभवो मन्दस्माना अस्मे धत्तु ये च रतिं गृणन्ति ॥१०॥
 नापाभूत न वोऽतीतृषामानिःशस्ता ऋभवो यज्ञे अस्मिन् ।
 समिन्द्रेण मदध्वं सं मरुद्भिः सं राजभी रत्नधेयां देवाः ॥११॥

yé gómantam vājavantam suvīram ra-
 yīm dhatthā vāsumantam purukshúm | té agrepā řibhavo
 mandasāná asmé dhatta yé ca rātim gṛiṇānti || 10 || nāpā-
 bhūta ná vo 'tīṛishānāniḥṣastā řibhavo yajñé asmín | sám
 indreṇa mādatha sám marúdbhīḥ sám rájabhi ratnadhéyāya
 devāḥ || 11 ||

O source of strength, may you come to this worship, invoked with reverence. May you, associated with resplendent self, with whom you are wisely in full accord, drink this precious sweet essence. 6

O spiritual self, may you drink and relish the essence in the company of mental ego. O praised by hymns, drink it in company with vital elements. Drink it with love in company with the fore-most guardians at the ceremonies connected with the seasons. May you drink it in company with rich guardians of wives. 7

O leaders of spiritual realms, be exhilarated, in company with the enlightened, in company with public servants controlling hilly products, ecclesiastical duties, creative arts, river projects, and, mines and minerals. 8

Spiritual leaders, by your assistance, the physicians and surgeons have been able to treat the elders, as well as cattle and kine; and technicians have been able to fabricate motors, engines and armour, and have shown skill as ground and space engineers, they have been notable for their fruitful works. 9

The technicians and architects possess wealth, comprising cattle, food, progeny, dwellings, and abundant sustenance; may you, being the first drinkers of the sacred knowledge when exhilarated grant prosperity to those, who glorify your generosity. 10

O men of experience and wisdom; go not away, let us not leave you; may you be present unapproached at this worship; rejoice along with resplendent leader and with the brave warriors, and with other brilliant dignitaries for the distribution of wealth. 11

(३५) पञ्चविंशं सूत्रम्

(१-०) नवचस्यास्य सुतस्य गौतमो वामदेव कविः । ऋभवो देवताः । विष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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इहोप यात षवसो नपातः सौधन्वना ऋभवो मापं भृत ।
 अस्मिन्हि वः सर्वने रत्नधेयं गमन्तिवन्द्यमनु वो मदांसः ॥१॥
 आगन्तुभृणामिह रत्नधेयमभुत्सोमस्य सुपुतस्य पीतिः ।
 सुकृत्यया यत्स्वपत्यया चं पक्वं विचक्र चमसं चतुर्धा ॥२॥

35.

Ihópa yāta ṣavaso napātaḥ saúdhanyanā ṛibhavo māpa
 bhūta | asmín hí vaḥ sāvane ratnadhéyaṃ gāmantv índram
 ānu vo mādāsaḥ || 1 || āgann ṛibhūṇām ihā ratnadhéyaṃ
 ábhūt sómasya sūshutasya pītiḥ | sukrītyāyā yāt svapasyāyā
 cañ ékaṃ vicakrá camasāṃ caturdhā || 2 ||

व्यङ्कणोत चमसं चतुर्धा सखे वि शिक्षेत्ब्रवीत ।
 अथैत वाजा अमृतस्य पन्थां गणं देवानामृभवः सुहस्ताः ॥३॥
 किमयः स्वचमस एष आसु यं काव्येन चतुरे विचक्र ।
 अथो सुनुच्चं सर्वने मदाय पात ऋभवो मधुनः सोम्यस्य ॥४॥
 शच्याकर्त पितरा युवाना शच्याकर्त चमसं देवपानम् ।
 शच्या हरी धनुतरावतष्टेन्द्रवाहवृभयो वाजरत्नाः ॥५॥

vy ākrīṇota ca-
 masāṃ caturdhā sákhe ví śikshéty abravīta | áthaita vājā
 amṛitasya pánthāṃ gaṇāṃ devānām ṛibhavaḥ suhastāḥ
 || 3 || kimmáyāḥ svie camasā eshá āsa yām kāvyaena catūro
 vicakrá | áthā sunudhivaṃ sāvanaṃ mādāya pātā ṛibhavo
 mádhunaḥ somyāsya || 4 || śacyākarta pitārā yúvānā śacyā-
 karta camasāṃ devapānam | śacyā hārī dhánutarāv ata-
 shtendraváhāv ṛibhavo vājaratnāḥ || 5 ||

O men of strength, not allowing themselves to decline, O expert in war-weapons, and persons of experience and wisdom, come to us, please stay not away. May these exhilarating gifts proceed first to the resplendent Lord and then to you, at this sacred ceremony. 1

May the munificence of the men of experience and wisdom come to us on this occasion; they have accepted our well-composed devotional prayers, and they have given to us by their dexterous and excellent work the concept of dividing the globe into four quadrants. (See hymn 33, verse 5). 2

You have outlined the details of dividing the globe into four quadrants and said, O friend, teach the same to others. O physically strong and spiritually elevated, deft-handed men of wisdom, may you accept the concept of four and act accordingly; and thereby attain the realm of immortal enlightened ones. 3

What sort of global ladle was that which by your art and wisdom, you have made four-fold? Now pour forth the elixir of knowledge for exhilaration and inspiration; and, O leaders of experience and wisdom, may this knowledge be for your relish and enjoyment. 4

By your marvellous thinking, you have made the old young; by your marvellous deeds, you have provided the ladle to enlightened ones for drinking. O jewels among men of physical and spiritual strength; by your marvellous skill, may you fabricate fast moving transports and projects, and bring affluence and fame. 5

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यो वः सुनोत्यभिपित्वे अह्नां तीव्रं वाजासः सर्वान् मदाय ।
 तस्मै रयिमृभवः सर्ववीरिणा तक्षत वृषणो मन्दसानाः ॥६॥
 प्रातः सुतर्मपिबो हर्यश्च माध्यन्दिनं सर्वान् केवलं ते ।
 समृभुभिः पिबस्व रत्नधेभिः सखीयां इन्द्र चकृषे सुकृत्वा ॥७॥
 ये देवासो अभवता सुकृत्वा श्येना इवेदधि दिवि निषेद ।
 ते रत्नं धात शवसो नपातः सौधन्वना अभवतामृतासः ॥८॥
 यत्तृतीयं सर्वान् रत्नधेयमकृणुष्वं स्वपस्या सुहस्ताः ।
 तदृभवः परिषिक्तं व एतत्सं मदेभिरिन्द्रियेभिः पिबध्वम् ॥९॥

yó vah sunóty abhipitvé ahnām tīvrām vājāsah sāva-
 nam mādāya | tasmai rayīm ribhavaḥ sārvaṁvīram ā takshata
 vṛiṣaṇo mandasānāḥ || 6 || prātāḥ sutām apibō haryaśva
 mādhyamdinam sāvanam kévalam te | sām ribhúbhiḥ piba-
 sva ratnadhébhiḥ sákhīnṛ yān indra cakṛishé sukṛityā || 7 ||
 yé devāso ábhavatā sukṛityā syenā ivéd ádhi divi nishedá |
 té rátnam dhāta šavaso napātaḥ saúdhanvanā ábhavatā-
 mṛitāsaḥ || 8 || yát tṛitīyam sāvanam ratnadhéyam ákṛiṇu-
 dhvam svapasyā suhastāḥ | tát ribhavaḥ páriśhiktam va
 etát sám mádebhir indriyébhiḥ pibadhvam || 9 ||

(३६) पर्याप्तं सूक्तम्

(१-९) नवर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । क्रमवो देवताः । (१-८) प्रथमाष्टकां
 जगती, (९) नवम्याथ त्रिष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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अनश्नो जातो अनभीशुरुक्थ्योऽरथस्त्रिचक्रः परि वर्तते रजः ।
 महत्तद्वो देव्यस्य प्रवाचनं यामृभवः पृथिवीं यच्च पुष्यथ ॥१॥

36.

Anaśvo jāto anabhīśur ukthyò rāthas tricakrāḥ pári
 vartate rájah | mahát tát vo devyāsyā pravācanam dyām
 ribhavaḥ pṛithivīm yāc ea puśhyatha || 1 ||

O mighty leaders of physical and spiritual realm, exhilarated by devotional love, fabricate wealth, and bless him with brave posterity who, for your exultation, offers loving invocations at the close of day. 6

Accept, O resplendent Lord of fast-moving transports, the drinks offered of dawn. Yours and only yours are the noon-day libations. May you relish drinks with the wealth-bestowing men of experience and wisdom whom you have made your friend on their merits. 7

May you, the source of strength, who have gained divinity by good deeds, and soar aloft in the sky like falcons; bestow upon us riches. O accomplisners of the targets, you have become immortals. 8

O dexterous-handed, you have instituted, with best intentions the third evening ceremony, which is the bestower of wealth. This sweet drink is effused and blended for you; drink it with the sense of delight. 9

The glorious three-wheeled vehicle without the horse and without reins rolls round the firmament. Great has been that proclamation of your divine power, O men of experience and wisdom, that you control the roadways and space-crafts. 1

रथं ये चक्रुः सुवृत्तं सुचेतसोऽविह्वरन्तं मनसस्परि ध्वया ।
 तौ ऊ न्वस्य सर्वनस्य पीतय आ वो वाजा क्रभवो वेदयामसि ॥२॥
 तद्वो वाजा क्रभवः सुप्रवाचनं देवेषु विभ्वो अभवन्महित्वनम् ।
 जिह्री यत्सन्तां पितरां सन्नाजुरा पुनर्युवाना चरथाय तक्षथ ॥३॥
 एकं वि चक्र चमसं चतुर्वधं निश्चर्मणो गार्मरिणीत धीतिभिः ।
 अथा देवेष्वमृतत्वमानश श्रुष्टी वाजा क्रभवस्तद्व उक्थ्यम् ॥४॥
 क्रभुतो रयिः प्रथमश्रवस्तमो वाजश्रुतासो यमजीजन्तन्नरः ।
 विभ्वतष्टो विदथेषु प्रवाच्यो यं देवासोऽवधा स विचर्षणिः ॥५॥

rātham yé ca-

krūh suvrītaṁ sucétaso 'vihvarantam mānasaś pāri dhyāyā |
 tāñ ū nv āsyā sāvanasya pītāya ā vo vājā rībhavo veda-
 yāmasi || 2 || tād vo vājā rībhavaḥ supravācanāṁ devēshu
 vibhvo abhavan mahitvanām | jīvrī yāt sántā pītārā sanā-
 jūrā pūnar yūvānā carāthāya tākshatha || 3 || ékaṁ ví cakra
 camasāṁ cāturvayaṁ niś cārmaṇo gām arinīta dhītībhīḥ |
 āthā devēshv amṛitatvām ānaśa śrushṭī vājā rībhavas tād
 va ukthyām || 4 || rībhutó rayīḥ prathamāśravastamo vāja-
 śrutāso yām ājjjanan nārah | vibhvashtó vidātheshu pra-
 vācyo yām devāso 'vathā sā vícarshaṇīḥ || 5 ||

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स वाज्यवा स कर्पिवचस्यवा स शूरो अस्तां पृतनासु दुष्टरः ।
 स रायस्पोषं स सुवीर्यं दधे ये वाजो विभ्वो क्रभवो यमाविधुः ॥६॥
 श्रेष्ठं वः पेशो अधि धायि दर्शनं स्तोमो वाजा क्रभवस्तं जुजुष्टन ।
 धीरसो हि ष्ठा कवयो विपश्चितस्तान् पुना ब्रह्मणा वेदयामसि ॥७॥

sā vājyārvā sā rīshir vacasyāyā sā śūro āstā prītanāsu
 dusṭārāḥ | sā rāyās pōshaṁ sā suvrīyaṁ dadhe yām vājo
 vibhvāñ rībhāvo yām āvishuḥ || 6 || śrēshṭhaṁ vaḥ pēso
 ādhi dhāyi darsatām stōmo vājā rībhavas tāṁ jujusṭana |
 dhīrāso hī shṭhā kavāyo vipaśetas tān va enā brāhmaṇā
 vedayāmasi || 7 ||

We invoke respectfully these pioneers of roadways and space-crafts, to accept our reverential homage. O wise technicians, by your creative ability you design this never-erring, high rolling craft out of your genius workmanship. 2

O leaders of physical, mental and spiritual realms, you have been very well known among the learned, that you can make your aged infirm parents young, so that they are able to walk and work again. 3

You outline the details of the concept of dividing one globe into four quadrants, and by your toil and skill you change the barren crust of the earth to the fertile land, thereby quickly gaining immortal fame among the enlightened. Your great deeds, O leaders of physical, mental and spiritual realms, must be extolled. 4

The food and wealth which have been created by the combined efforts of the pioneers of technology of roadways, waterways and airways has to be appreciated and acknowledged at the public assemblies. 5

He becomes vigorous and skilled in war; he becomes a sage and eloquent, the brave and invincible in battles, and possessed of ample wealth, and he is blessed with excellent posterity; who has the patronage of experts in roadcraft, watercrafts and aircraft. 6

A dignified and highly important position is held by you, this we acknowledge. We know, you are master of wisdom, and therefore, O pioneers of roadways and aircraft, with his prayer, we call on you to come. 7

यूयमस्मभ्यं धिषणाभ्यस्परि विद्वांसो विश्वा नर्षाणि भोजना ।
 द्युमन्तं वाजं वृषशुष्मसुत्तममा नो रयिमृभवस्तक्षता वयः ॥८॥
 इह प्रजामिह रयिं रराणा इह श्रवो वीरवत्तक्षता नः ।
 येन वयं चितयेमात्रन्यान्तं वाजं चित्रमृभवो ददा नः ॥९॥

yūyām asmābhyam dhishanābhyas pari vid-
 vānso vīṣvā nāryāṇi bhōjanā | dyumāntam vājam vṛsha-
 ṣushmām uttamām ā no rayīm ṛibhavas takshatā vāyah
 || 8 || ihā prajāṁ ihā rayīm rārāṇā ihā śravo vīravat ta-
 kshatā naḥ | yēna vayam citāyemāty anyān tām vājam ci-
 trām ṛibhavo dadā naḥ || 9 ||

(३७) सप्तविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । क्रमवो देवताः । (१-४) प्रथमादिचतुर्कषां
 विष्णुः, (१-८) पञ्चम्यादिचतसृणाञ्जानुष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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उप नो वाजा अध्वरमृभुक्षा देवा यात पृथिभिर्देवयानैः ।
 यथा यज्ञं मनुषो विस्वाग्नेषु दधिध्वे रण्याः सुदिनेष्वह्नाम् ॥९॥
 ते वो हृदे मनसे सन्तु यज्ञा जुष्टासो अय घृतनिर्णिजो गुः ।
 प्र वः सुतासो हरयन्त पूर्णाः कृत्वे दक्षाय हर्षयन्त पीताः ॥१०॥

37.

Ūpa no vājā adhvarām ṛibhukshā dévā yātā pathibhir
 devayānaih | yāthā yajñām mānuṣho vikshv āsū dadhidhvé
 ranvāḥ sudīneshv āhnām || 1 || té vo hṛidé mánase santu
 yajñā júshtāso adyā ghṛitānirṇijo guḥ | prā vaḥ sutāso ha-
 rayanta pūrṇāḥ krátve dākshāya harshayanta pītāḥ || 2 ||

O enlightened pioneers of technology having full knowledge of all needs and comforts that are good for men, may you, according to our wishes, fashion powerful and splendid machines, of high standard. 8

Gratified by our worship, now help us to gain heroic progeny, wealth and reputation. Vouchsafe us wealth of splendid sort, O pioneers of crafts, that we may be more renowned than others. 9

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O pioneers of roadcraft and aircraft, come to aid our benevolent deeds by paths meant for divinities. O gracious pioneers, maintain the tradition of work and worship among mankind for securing prosperity all the days. 1

May these offerings be appealing to your intellect and satisfying to your heart. May the sincere devotion, mixed with love, flow to you; abundant appreciation and rewards may bear you onward to power, and when imbibed, delight you. 2

त्र्युदायं देवहितं यथा वाः स्तोमो वाजा क्रभुक्ष्णो ददे वाः ।
 जुह्वे मनुष्यदुर्गसु विक्षु युष्मे सचा बृहद्विषु सोमम् ॥३॥
 पीवोअश्वाः शुचद्रथा हि मृतायःशिप्रा वाजिनः सुनिष्काः ।
 इन्द्रस्य सुतो शवसो नपातोऽनु वधेत्यग्निं मदय ॥४॥
 क्रभुसंभुक्ष्णो रयिं वाजे वाजिन्तं युजम् ।
 इन्द्रस्वन्तं हवामहे सदासातममश्विनम् ॥५॥

tryudāyām devāhitam yāthā va stōmo vājā ṛibhukshaṇo
 dadé vah | juhvé manushvād úparāsu vikshú yushmé sácā
 bṛiháddiveshu sómam || 3 || pívoaṣvāḥ śucádrathā hí bhūtā-
 yaḥṣiprā vājinaḥ sunishkáḥ | índrasya sūno śavaso napāto
 'nu vaṣ cety agriyām mādāya || 4 || ṛibhúm ṛibhukshaṇo ra-
 yīm vāje vājintamam yújam | índrasvantam havāmahe sa-
 dāsátamam aśvínam || 5 ||

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सेदभवो यमयथ यूयमिन्द्रश्च मर्त्यम् ।
 स धीभिर्स्तु सनिता मेधसाता सो अर्वता ॥६॥
 वि नो वाजा क्रभुक्ष्णः पथश्चित्तं यष्टे ।
 अस्मभ्यं सूरयः स्तुता विश्वा आशास्तरिपणि ॥७॥
 तं नो वाजा क्रभुक्ष्ण इन्द्र नासत्या रयिम् ।
 समश्च चर्पणिभ्य आ पुरु शस्त मघतये ॥८॥

séd ṛibhavo yām ávatha yūyām índraś ca mártiyam |
 sá dhībhír astu sánitā medhásātā só árvatā || 6 || ví no vājā
 ṛibhukshaṇaḥ pathás citana yáshtave | asmábhyam sūraya
 stutā víśvā āśās tarīṣāṇi || 7 || tāṁ no vājā ṛibhukshaṇa
 índra nāsatyā rayīm | sám aśvam carshaṇībhyā ā purú śa-
 sta maghátaye || 8 ||

O pioneers of roadways and aircraft, your threefold transport is meant for the welfare of the entire people, and hence the appreciation. Therefore, the affectionate honour is offered to you along with meritorious people of other fields, assembled at this solemn function. 3

O pioneers of roadways, possessed of treasures, you have come here on a strong transport, mounted on a brilliant carriage, and having the jaws of iron. O powerful sons of resplendent; grandsons of never-failing strength, this foremost function is organised for your felicitation. 4

O pioneers of aircrafts, we invoke you, the possessor of war vehicles, devised by you as a result of team-work, of a great utility in war time, fast moving, highly-priced, speedy and strong, complex in structure, and provided with sensitive and sensible components. 5

O pioneers of aircraft, may the person, whom you favour with your help be liberal by his acts and possessor of transport equipment, essential for public good. 6

O pioneers of the land and air transport, may you direct us on the way to the battlefield. O wise ones, being glorified by us, may you traverse all the quarters of space. 7

O pioneers of the land and air transport, ever truthful to resplendent leader of the nation, may you join us and lead with all your mobile transport for our prosperity. 8

(३८) अष्टाविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्चन्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१) प्रथमर्चो यावत्प्रथिव्यौ

(२-१०) द्वितीयादिनवमाश्च दधिष्ठा देवताः । त्रिषुपु छन्दः ॥

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उतो हि वा दात्रा सन्ति पूर्वा या पुरुभ्यस्त्रसदस्युर्नितोशे ।

क्षेत्रासां ददधुर्द्वरासां घनं दस्युभ्या अमिर्मृत्तुमुग्रम् ॥१॥

उत वाजिनं पुरुनिष्विष्वानं दधिक्रासु ददधुर्विश्वकृष्टिम् ।

ऋजिप्यं श्येनं प्रुषितप्सुमाशुं चर्कृत्यमर्यो नृपतिं न शूरम् ॥२॥

यं सीमनु प्रवतेव द्रवंतं विश्वः पूरुमदति हर्षमाणः ।

पड्गिरुर्ध्वन्तं मेधयुं न शूरं रथतुरं वातमिव ध्रजन्तम् ॥३॥

88.

Uto hi vām dātrā sānti pūrvā yā pūrubhyas trasāda-
 syur nitosē | kshetrāsām dadathur urvarāsāṁ ghanām dās-
 yubhyo abhībhūtim ugrām || 1 || utā vājīnam parunishshīdh-
 vānam dadhikrām u dadathur viśvākṛiṣṭim | ṛijipyām
 syenām prushitāpsu āśum carakṛityam aryō nṛipātim nā
 śūram || 2 || yām sim ānu pravāteva drāvantaṁ viśvaḥ pū-
 rūr mādati hārṣhamāṇaḥ | paḍbhīr grīdhyaṇtam medhayum
 nā śūram rathatūram vātam iva dhrājantam || 3 ||

यः स्मारुधानो गध्या समत्सु सनुतरश्चरति गोषु गच्छन् ।

आनिक्रैजीको विदधा निचिक्यत्तिरो अरति पर्याप आपोः ॥४॥

उत सैनं वस्त्रमधि न तावुमनु कोशन्ति क्षितयो भरेषु ।

नीचार्यमानं जमुरिं न श्येनं श्रवश्चाच्छा पशुमच युथम् ॥५॥

yāḥ smā-

rundhānō gādhyā samātsu sánutaraṣ carati góshu gāchan |
 āvirījiko vidāthā nicīkyat tirō aratim páry āpa āyóḥ || 4 ||
 utā smainām vastramāthim nā tāyūm ānu kroṣanti kshitāyo
 bhāreshu | nīcāyamānam jāsurim nā syenām śrāvaṣ cāchā
 paṣumāc ca yūthām || 5 ||

O pioneer of land and air transport, powerful and munificent, terror to the enemies, you have been bestowing such rewards from earliest times, as belong to you only. You have given formidable and fierce weapons to the speedy vehicle for the destruction of infidels. 1

And you too give swift spacecraft, the repeller of rebels, the defender of all men, the straight-going like eagle, gracefully-moving, the resplendent, the rapid, the destroyer of enemies like a heroic prince. 2

All men praise this spacecraft which rushes everywhere, down a precipice, springs with his feet like a hero eager for war, and whirls like the car and flies like tempest. 3

The spacecraft gains precious gifts in the battles and rushes fast, passing through the regions, whose vigour is manifest in all directions ; and who undoubtedly as we know puts to shame the adversary of the pious man. 4

And men call for the spacecraft in battles, as they shout for thier carrying off a garment, or as a hungry falcon pounces upon his prey ; they call after him as if hastening to obtain food, or they loudly address while calling a herd of cattle. 5

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उत स्मासु प्रथमः सरिष्यन्ति देविति श्रेणिभी रथानाम् ।
 खजै कृष्वानो जन्वो न शुभ्वा रेणुं रेहिहत्किरणं ददृश्वान् ॥६॥
 उत स्य वाजी सहुरिर्कृतावा शुश्रूषमाणस्तन्वा समर्ये ।
 तुरं यतीषु तुर्यन्नृजिष्वोऽधि भुवोः किरते रेणुमृज्जन् ॥७॥
 उत स्मास्य तन्यतोर्वि द्यौर्क्रीघायतो अभियुजो भयन्ते ।
 यदा सहस्रमभि भीमयोधीर्दुर्वृतुः सा भवति भीम ऋज्जन् ॥८॥

utá smāsu prathamāḥ sarishyān ní veveti śreṇibhī rā-
 thānām | srājaṃ kṛiṇvānó jānyo ná śubhvā reṇūm rérihat
 kirāṇaṃ dadaśvān || 6 || utá syá vājī sáhurir ṛitāvā śúśrū-
 shamāṇas tanvā samaryé | túraṃ yatīshu turáyann ṛijipyó
 'dhi bhruvóḥ kirate reṇūm ṛiñján || 7 || utá smāsyā tanyatór
 iva dyór ṛighāyató abhiyújo bhayante | yadā sahasraṇ abhi
 śhīm āyodhīd durvartuḥ smā bhavati bhīmá ṛiñján || 8 ||

उत स्मास्य पनयन्ति जनो जूतिं कृष्टिप्रो अभिभूतिमाशोः ।
 उतेनमाहुः समिथे वियन्तः परा दधिका असरत्सहस्रैः ॥९॥
 आ दधिकाः शवसा पञ्च कृष्टीः सूर्य इव ज्योतिष्पास्ततान ।
 सहस्रसाः शतसा वाज्यवा पृणक्तु मध्या समिमा वचांसि ॥१०॥

utá

smāsyā panayanti jānā jūtim kṛiṣṭipró abhībhūtim āśóḥ |
 utainam āhuḥ samithé viyāntaḥ parā dadhikrá asarat sa-
 hasraih || 9 || ā dadhikráḥ śávasā pāṇea kṛiṣṭīḥ sūrya iva
 jyótiṣhāpás tatāna | sahasrasāḥ śatasā vājy árvā pṛiṇaktu
 mādhyā sám imā vácānsi || 10 ||

And the space-craft, willing to come forth first amid these encounters, rushes in various directions with other rows of space chariots ; or like an elegant courser, friendly to man, decorated with a garland, raising the dust and champing the rein that holds him. 6

And it is a mighty space fighter, who keeps enduring in battle, bestowing food, and doing service with his limbs, rushing swiftly upon the quick-moving host of the enemy, going straight onward, and tossing up the dust, throws it above his brows. 7

And at its thunder, like the roar of heaven, the assailants tremble and get alarmed ; for when it fights against embattled thousands on every side, then, rousing his spirit, it is fearful and irresistible. 8

Men praise the overpowering rapidity of this spacecraft, the accomplisher of the aspirations of mankind. Soldiers going to battle, declare that the swift spacecraft has proceeded forward against adversaries laden with thousands of firing units. 9

This speedy spacecraft serves all the five classes of men with vigour, like the sun who shines with radiance over the sky. May it smite to pieces hundreds and thousands of foes, and lead us to sweet rewards. 10

(३९) एकोनपत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-६) षडृचस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव कविः । दधिका देवता । (१-५) प्रथमादिपञ्चमो विदुषः
(६) षष्ठ्याधातुषु छन्दसी ॥

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आशुं दधिकां तमु नु एवाम दिवस्पृथिव्या उत चर्किराम ।
उच्छन्तीर्मांमुपसः सृदयन्त्वति विश्वानि दुरितानि पर्षन् ॥१॥
महर्षर्कर्म्यधैतः क्रतुप्रा दधिकाव्णः पुरुवारस्य वृष्णः ।
यं पुरुभ्यो दीदिवांसं नाभिं ददधुर्मित्रावरुणा ततुरिम् ॥२॥
यो अश्वस्य दधिकाव्णो अकारित्समिद्धे अग्ना उपसो व्युष्टौ ।
अनागसं तमदितिः कृणोतु स मित्रेण वरुणेना सजोषाः ॥३॥
दधिकाव्ण इष ऊर्जो महो यदमन्महि मरुतां नाम भद्रम् ।
स्वस्तये वरुणं मित्रमग्निं हवामहु इन्द्रं वज्रबाहुम् ॥४॥
इन्द्रमिधेदुभये वि ह्वयन्त उदीराणा यज्ञमुपप्रयन्तः ।
दधिकामु सदानं मर्त्याय ददधुर्मित्रावरुणा नो अश्वम् ॥५॥
दधिकाव्णो अकारिषं जिष्णोरश्वस्य वाजिनः ।
सुरभि नो मुखा करत्प्र ण आयूषि तारिषत् ॥६॥

39.

Āśum dadhikrām tām u nu śhṭavāma divās prithivyā
utā carkirāma | uehāntīr mām ushásah sūdayantv āti ví-
śvāni duritāni parshan || 1 || mahās carkarmy árvataḥ kra-
tuprá dadhikrávṇaḥ puruvárasya vṛishṇaḥ | yām pūrúbhyaḥ
dīdivānsam nágnīm dadáthur mitrávaruṇā táturim || 2 || yó
áśvasya dadhikrávṇo ákārīt sámiddhe agnā ushásō vyū-
shṭau | ánāgasam tām áditiḥ kṛiṇotu sá mitréṇa vāruṇenā
sajóshāḥ || 3 || dadhikrávṇa ishā ūrjō mahó yád ámanmahi
marútām náma bhadram | svastāye vāruṇam mitráam agnīm
hāvāmaha índram vājrabāhum || 4 || índram ivéd ubháye ví
hvayanta udīrāṇā yajñām upaprayántaḥ | dadhikrām u sū-
danam mártyaāya dadáthur mitrávaruṇā no áśvam || 5 || da-
dhikrávṇo akārisham jishṇór áśvasya vājīnaḥ | surabhī no
múkhā karat prá ṇa áyūnshi tārishat || 6 ||

Verily we praise that swift flying spacecraft, which scatters the enemies all around on the land in the space. May the ascending dawns inspire me to active work and bear me safely across evils and distresses. 1

I reiterate the admiration of this great spacecraft, the accomplisher of all my assignments, invigorater of my spirit, the liberal, which is lauded by all, and showerer of benefits. The experts of solar and hydroelectric powers have fabricated this fast moving craft, brilliant as fire, for all and sundry. 2

May the supreme authority in association with expert technologists of thermal and hydro-dynamic energy, render it flawless. He releases this speedy craft for the fast flight at the break of dawn, when the sacred fire is kindled. 3

Whilst we glorify the auspicious name of this great spacecraft, along with vital principles, the givers of sustenance and strength, let us for our welfare invoke also the technologists of hydro-electricity, solar energy and fire, and the bearer of thunder-arms. 4

Those who prepare for battle, and those who proceed to worship, both invoke the spacecraft, as if he is the resplendent sun. The technical experts of water and electricity have given to us this spacecraft which inspires men to vigorous work. 5

I glorify the spacecraft which is rapid like victorious steed. May he give to our faces the fragrance of fame and longevity to our liver. 6

(४०) चत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-४) प्रथमादिचतुर्ध्यां दधिकाः ।

(५) पञ्चम्याथ सूर्यो देवते । (१) प्रथमर्चस्त्रिष्टुप्, (२-५) द्वितीयादिचतसृणाञ्च
जगती छन्दसी ॥

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दधिकाव्ण इदु नु चर्किराम विश्वा इन्मामुषसः सूदयन्तु ।
 अपामग्नेरुषसः सूर्यस्य बृहस्पतेराङ्गिरसस्य जिष्णोः ॥१॥
 सत्वा भरिषो गविषो दुवन्युसच्छ्वस्यादिष उपसस्तुरण्यसत् ।
 सत्यो द्रवो द्रवुरः पतङ्गरो दधिकावेषमृजं स्वर्जनत् ॥२॥
 उत स्मास्य द्रवंतस्तुरण्यतः पूर्णं न वेरनु वाति प्रगर्धिनः ।
 स्येनस्येव ध्रजतो अङ्कुसं परि दधिकाव्णः सहोर्जा तरित्रतः ॥३॥

40.

Dadhikrávṇa íd u nú carkiráma víśvā ín mām ushásah
 sūdayantu | apām agnér ushásah sūryasya bṛhaspáter ān-
 girasásya jishṇóḥ || 1 || sátvā bharishó gavishó duvanyasác
 chravasyád ishā ushásas turānyasát | satyó dravó dravaráh
 patamgaró dadhikrávésham úrjam svár janat || 2 || utá smāsyā
 drávasas turanyatáh parṇám ná vér ánu vāti pragardhí-
 nah | syenásyeva dhrájato añkasám pári dadhikrávṇah sa-
 hórjá táritrataḥ || 3 ||

उत स्व वाजी क्षिपुर्णि तुरण्यति ग्रीवायौ बद्धा आपिकक्ष आसनि ।
 ऋतुं दधिका अनु संतवीत्वत्पथामङ्कुस्यन्वापनीफणत् ॥१॥
 हंसः शुचिपद्मसुरन्तरिक्षसद्भोता वेदिषदतिथिर्दुरोणसत् ।
 नृषद्वरसहस्रसहस्रमसद्भजा गोजा ऋतजा अद्रिजा ऋतम् ॥२॥

utá syá vají kshipañím turanyati grī-
 vāyām baddhó apikakshá āsáni | krátum dadhikrá ānu sam-
 távitvat pathám añkāṇsy ánv āpaníphaṇat || 4 || haṁsáh su-
 cishád vásur antarikshasád dhótā vedishád átithir duroṇasát |
 nṛishád varasád řitasád vyomasád abjá gojá řitajá adrijá
 řitám || 5 ||

May be repeatedly recite the praise of spacecraft. May all rising dawns inspire me. May we honour the cosmic forces of water, fire, dawn, the sun, the large planet and invincible vital powers. 1

May the spacecraft, which is active, the cherisher, swift, giver of wisdom, needing service and ease, be willing to accept the sacrificial fuel at the break of dawn. May it which is true, the fleet, and moving with fire-flames, bring for us food, strength and happiness. 2

This spacecraft is quick-moving, hastening, eager to arrive at his goal, the transporter and is as swift as hawk. Eyes of men follow it as other birds pursue the flight of a swift bird. 3

And that speedy horse-like craft, bound by his neck, his flanks, and mouth, accelerates his paces for attack. The spacecraft lends new swiftness to his speed to perform his duty and following the windings of the air-routes goes with still greater speed. 4

This spacecraft goes according to schedule, and is bright like the sun in the high effulgent region, and is like a planet in the inter space, and is like an invoker priest of the ceremonial altar, and is like a guest at home. It is like a leader among men, and the dweller in the most excellent orb, balanced in space. It moves without impediment through the clouds, on the land, and amongst the mountains, always abiding by the code of instructions. 5

(४१) एकचत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य भूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रावरुणौ देवते । विष्णु उन्मः ॥

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इन्द्रा को वां वरुणा सुप्रमाप स्तोमो हविष्मौ अमृतो न होता ।
 यो वां हृदि क्रतुमौ अस्मदुक्तः पुस्पशीदिन्द्रावरुणा नमस्वान् ॥१॥
 इन्द्रा ह यो वरुणा चक्र आपी देवो मर्तः सुख्याय प्रयस्वान् ।
 स हन्ति वृत्रा समिथेषु शत्रूनवोभिर्वा महद्भिः स प्र शृण्वे ॥२॥
 इन्द्रा ह रत्नं वरुणा धेष्टेथा नृभ्यः शशमानेभ्यस्ता ।
 यदी सखाया सुख्याय सोमैः सुतेभिः सुप्रयसा मादधैते ॥३॥

41.

Indrā kó vām varuṇā sumnām āpa stómo havíshmāñ
 amṛito ná hótā | yó vām hṛidí krátumāñ asmád uktāḥ pa-
 spārsad indrāvaruṇā nāmasvān || 1 || indrā ha yó vāruṇā
 cakrá āpí devaú mártāḥ sakhyāya prāyasvān | sá hanti vṛi-
 trā samithéshu śātrūn ávobhir vā mahádbhīḥ sá prá śṛiṇve
 || 2 || indrā ha rátnam vāruṇā dhéshthetthá nṛbhyāḥ śaśa-
 mánébhyas tá | yádi sákhāyā sakhyāya sómāiḥ sutébhiḥ su-
 prayásā mādáyāite || 3 ||

इन्द्रा युवं वरुणा दिद्युमस्मिन्नोजिष्ठमुग्रा नि वधिष्टे वज्रम् ।
 यो नो दुरेवो वृकतिर्दुभीतिस्तस्मिन्मिमाथामभिभूत्योजः ॥४॥
 इन्द्रा युवं वरुणा भूतमस्या धियः प्रेतारां वृषभेवं धेनोः ।
 सा नो दुहियद्यवसेव गत्वी सहस्रधारा पर्यसा मही गौः ॥५॥

indrā yuvām varuṇā didyúm asminn
 ójishtham ugrā ní vadhishtham vājram | yó no durévo vṛi-
 kátir dabhítis tásmin mimāthām abhíbhūty ójah || 4 || indrā
 yuvām varuṇā bhūtām asyá dhiyāḥ pretārā vṛishabhéva
 dhenóḥ | sá no duhīyad yávaseva gatví sahásradhārā pá-
 yasā mahí gauḥ || 5 ||

O soul and mind, which laudation of yours may bestow felicity on us, similar to the blessings procured by the immortal invoker by offering oblation during ceremony. May that praise, which is addressed by us to you both, O soul and mind, sanctified by acts, and prompted by veneration, touch your hearts. 1

O divine soul and mind, the mortal, who is diligent in offering dedication, makes you his ally to gain your friendship, he dispels his own evils and destroys all adverse impulses in the struggle, and through your great favour, he becomes renowned. 2

When as friends, well-honoured with dedication, you are exhilarated by the devotional love expressed through friendship, O soul and mind, you become most liberal givers of treasures to men, who toil to serve you in various ways. 3

O mighty soul and mind, you hurl the strongest flashing bolt of adamantine will power against those adverse impulses, which are difficult to be resisted by us, which are rapacious and malevolent. May you measure on him your over-whelming vigour. 4

O soul and mind, be the inspirer of our faculties, as the bull is of the milch-cows; may they yield us milk, like a great cow, who pouring out her thousand channels of milk, goes forth to pastures. 5

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तोके हिते तनय उर्वरासु सूरौ दृशीकि वृषणश्च पौंस्ये ।
 इन्द्रा नो अत्र वरुणा स्यातामवोभिर्दुस्सा परितक्म्यायाम् ॥६॥
 युवामिद्वचसे पूर्व्याय परि प्रमृती गविषः स्वापी ।
 वृणीमहे सख्याय प्रियाय शूरा मंहिष्ठा पितरेव शुभ्रम् ॥७॥
 ता वां धियोऽवसे वाजयन्तीराजि न जग्मुर्युवयूः सुदानू ।
 श्रिये न गाव उप सोममस्थुरिन्द्रं गिरो वरुणं मे मनीषाः ॥८॥

toké hité tānaya urvārāsu sūro drīśīke vṛṣhaṇaṣ ca
 paūnsye | indrā no ātra varuṇā syātām āvobhir dasmā pá-
 ritakmyāyām || 6 || yuvām íd dhy ávase pūrvyāya pári prā-
 bhūti gavishah svāpi | vṛṇīmāhe sakhyāya priyāya śūrā
 mánhishthā pitāreva sambhū || 7 || tá vām dhíyó 'vase vā-
 jayāntir ājīm ná jagmur yuvayúḥ sudānū | śriyé ná gāva
 ūpa sómam asthur índram gíro varuṇam me manīsháh || 8 ||

इमा इन्द्र वरुणं मे मनीषा अग्मन्नुप द्रविणमिच्छमानाः ।
 उपेमस्युर्जोष्टार इव वस्वो रघीरिव श्रवसो भिक्षमाणाः ॥९॥
 अन्व्यस्य त्मना रथ्यस्य पुष्टेर्नित्यस्य रायः पतयः स्याम ।
 ता चक्राणा जतिभिर्नित्यसीभिरस्मत्ता रायो नियुतः सचन्ताम् ॥१०॥
 आ नो बृहन्ता बृहतीभिरुती इन्द्र यातं वरुण वाजसातौ ।
 यद्विद्यवः पृतनासु प्रकीळन्तस्व वां स्याम सनितार आजैः ॥११॥

imā índram varuṇam me manīshā āgmann ūpa drāviṇam
 ichámānāḥ | ūpem asthur joshṭāra iva vásvo raghvír iva
 śrávaso bhikshamāṇāḥ || 9 || āsvyasya tmānā ráthyasya pu-
 shṭér nityasya rāyāḥ pátayaḥ syāma | tá cakraṇā ūtibhir
 návyasibhir asmatrá ráyo niyútaḥ sacantām || 10 || á no bṛi-
 hantā bṛihatibhir ūti índra yātām varuṇa vājasātau | yád
 didyávaḥ prītanāsu prakrīḷān tāsyā vām syāma sanitāra
 ājéḥ || 11 ||

May the soul and mind, the overthrowers of foes, be around us with their gracious favours, so that, thereby we may have worthy newly-born children and grown up sons, fertile lands, long life and steer-like virility. 6

Desirous of possessing wisdom, we have recourse to you, O soul and mind for full protection. O adorable heroes, you are powerful and kind as kinsmen. We solicit friendship and affection from you, parents, as if, to us, the givers of happiness. 7

O liberal givers, those praises, soliciting abundant food, have proceeded to both of you for the sake of your protection, as soldiers long for battle, and as the sense organs long for their satisfaction and pleasures. May in the same way, my heartfelt hymns approach soul and mind. 8

These my thoughts proceed to soul and mind, desirous of obtaining wisdom, as treasure-lovers approach rich, or as humble maidens of hermitage go to the opulent householders for the charity of food. 9

May we, of our own right, be the masters of horses, chariots, and other vehicles, and nourishing food and fuel, lasting for long duration. May these two, soul and mind, traversing their own regions, direct their mobile faculties towards us, associating them with ever new aids and protections. 10

O mighty soul and mind, come to us in struggle, with your powerful protections, and may we be triumphant in that inner conflict, through your favour, where the flashing arrows of passions are hurled over all around. 11

(४२) द्विचत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशार्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य पौष्टक्यस्य सप्तदशतुर्गणः । (१-६) प्रथमाद्विचतुर्धामात्मा,

(७-१०) सप्तम्याद्विचतसृगामेन्द्रावरुणो देवताः । विदुष्व् छन्दः ॥

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ममं द्विता राष्ट्रं क्षत्रियस्य विश्वायेर्विश्वे अमृता यथा नः ।
 क्रतुं सचन्ते वरुणस्य देवा राजांमि कृष्टेरुपमस्य वव्रे ॥१॥
 अहं राजा वरुणो मह्यं तान्यसुर्याणि प्रथमा धारयन्त ।
 क्रतुं सचन्ते वरुणस्य देवा राजांमि कृष्टेरुपमस्य वव्रे ॥२॥
 अहमिन्द्रो वरुणस्ते महित्वोर्वी गभीरे रजसी सुमेके ।
 त्वष्टेव विश्वा भुवनानि विद्वान्समैरयं रोदसी धारय च ॥३॥

42.

Māma dvitā rāshtrām kshatṛiyasya viśvāyor viśve
 amṛitā yāthā nah | krātum sacante vāruṇasya devā rājāmi
 kṛiṣhtēr upamāsyavavreḥ || 1 || ahām rājā vāruṇo māhyam
 tāny asuryāṇi prathamā dhārayanta | krātum sacante —
 || 2 || ahām indro vāruṇas té mahitvórvī gabhīré rājasī su-
 méke | tváshteva viśvā bhúvanāni vidván sám airayam
 rédasī dhārayam ea || 3 ||

अहमपो अपिन्वमुक्षमाणा धारयं दिवं सदन क्रतस्य ।
 क्रतेन पुत्रो अदितेऋतावोत त्रिधातु प्रथयद्धि भूमं ॥१॥
 मां नरः स्वश्वा वाजयन्तो मां वृताः समरणे हवन्ते ।
 कृणोम्याजिं मघवाहमिन्द्र इयमि रेणुमभिमृत्योजाः ॥२॥

ahām apó apinvam ukshámāṇā
 dhārayam divam sādana ṛitāsya | ṛiténa putró áditer ṛitā-
 votā tridhātu prathayad ví bhūma || 4 || mām nárah svāṣvā
 vājáyanto mām vṛitāḥ samāraṇe havante | kṛiṇómy ājīm
 maghāvāhām indra iyarmi reṇúm abhíbhūtyojāḥ || 5 ||

All the immortals are mine and so are the people of defence and protection. Two-fold is my empire. The divine powers abide by the order of mine, the venerable Lord; I rule over man and his kith and kin. 1

I am the king, the most venerable. On me are bestowed those principal energies that are destructive of evil forces. The divine powers abide by the order of mine, the venerable Lord. I rule over man and his kith and kin. 2

I am resplendent, I am venerable, I am in my greatness, like the vast, profound, beautiful regions. Being all wise, like supreme architect, I animate all beings. I sustain earth and heaven. 3

I uphold the moisture-shedding cosmic ocean. I uphold the effulgent region in the abode of the eternal order. Being the preserver of eternity, I create the universe according to the eternal laws. And I spread abroad the world in threefold elementary space. 4

The well-equipped and zealous fighters invoke me. Being surrounded they call on me in the conflict and endowed with victorious prowess, I smite the evils into dust in the battle. 5

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अहं ता विश्वा चकरं नकिर्मा दैव्यं सहो वरते अप्रतीतम् ।
 यन्मा सोमांसो ममद्वन्द्वदुक्तयोमे मयेते रजसी अपारे ॥६॥
 विदुष्टे विश्वा भुवनानि तस्य ता प्र ब्रवीषि वरुणाय वेधः ।
 त्वं वृत्राणि शृण्विषे जघन्वान्त्वं वृतां अरिणा इन्द्र सिन्धून् ॥७॥
 अस्माकमत्र पितरस्त आसन्त्सुत ऋषयो दौर्गहे बध्यमनि ।
 त आयजन्त त्रसदस्युमस्या इन्द्रं न वृत्रनुरमर्धदेवम् ॥८॥

aham tā viśvā cakaram nākir mā datvyam sāho varate
 āpratitam | yān mā sōmāso mamādan yād ukthóbbhé bha-
 yete rájasī apāré || 6 || vidúsh te viśvā bhúvanāni tāsya tā
 prā bravishi várunāya vedhaḥ | tvām vṛitrāṇi śṛiṇvishe ja-
 ghanvān tvām vṛitāñ arinā indra sīndhūn || 7 || asmākam
 ātra pitāras tā āsan saptā rīshayo daurgahé badhyāmāne |
 tā āyajanta trasādasyum asyā indram ná vṛitratúram ar-
 dhadevām || 8 ||

पुरुकुत्सानी हि वामदाशद्व्येभिरिन्द्रावरुणा नमोभिः ।
 अथा राजानं त्रसदस्युमस्या वृत्रहणं ददथुरर्धदेवम् ॥९॥
 राया वयं ससवांसो मदेम हव्येन देवा यवसेन गावः ।
 तां धेनुर्मिन्द्रावरुणा युवं नो विश्वाहा धत्तमनपस्फुरन्तीम् ॥१०॥

purukútsānī hí vām ādāśad dhavyébhir in-
 drāvaruṇā nāmobhiḥ | áthā rájānam trasādasyum asyā vṛi-
 trahāṇam dadathur ardhadevām || 9 || rāyā vayām sasavāṅso
 madema havyéna devā yāvasena gāvaḥ | tāṁ dhenūm in-
 drāvaruṇā yuvām no viśvāhā dhattam anapasphurantīm
 || 10 ||

I have done all these deeds; on one resists my divine, unsurpassed vigour. And when the devotional love and sacred songs of my worshippers exhilarate me, then the unbounded heaven and earth, both, are alarmed. 6

All beings recognize your deeds, O venerable Lord. O worshipper, address these sacred hymns to the venerable Lord. O resplendent Lord, you are renowned for destroying evils; you have set the obstructed rivers free to flow. 7

The seven-fold principles were the protectors of this kingdom, when the sun was captive in deep dark clouds. They restore for her the queen, the earth and the sun, illuminator of half the earth, the terror to the dark forces. 8

The queen of virtues propitiated you two, the Lord of cosmic light and plasma with oblations and prostrations. They restore for her, the queen, the earth and the sun, the illuminator of half the earth. 9

May we, glorifying you both, be delighted by riches; may the divines be pleased by oblations and may the cows by pastures. May you, the Lord of cosmic light and plasma, daily grant us, the very same cow, free from any imperfection. 10

(४३) विषत्वारिणं सूतम्

(१-७) सतर्षस्यास्य सूतस्य सौहोत्री पुण्मीज्जाममीज्जाहृषी । अधिनी देवते । निष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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क उ श्रवत्कतमो यज्ञियानां वन्दारु देवः कतमो जुषति ।
 कस्येमां देवीमसृतेषु प्रेष्ठां हृदि श्रेषाम सुष्टुतिं सुहृव्याम् ॥१॥
 को सृष्टाति कतम आगमिष्ठो देवानां सु कतमः संभविष्ठः ।
 रथं कमाहुर्देवदंश्चमाशुं यं सूर्यस्य दुहितावृणीत ॥२॥

43.

Kā u śravat katamó yajñíyānām vandāru devāḥ ka-
 tamó juṣhāte | kāsyemām devīm amṛíteṣhu préshthām hṛdí
 śreshāma susṭutīm suhavyām || 1 || kó mṛilāti katamá āga-
 mishtho devānām u katamáḥ śambhaviṣthah | rátham kām
 āhur dravádaṣyam āśūm yām sūryasya duhitāvṛṇīta || 2 ||

मक्षू हि प्सा गच्छथ ईवतो द्युनिन्द्रो न शक्तिं परितक्म्यावाम् ।
 दिव आजाता दिव्या सुपर्णा कया शर्चीनां भवथः शचिष्ठा ॥३॥
 का वां भूदुपमातिः कया न आश्विना गमथो ह्ययमाना ।
 को वां महश्चित्यजंसो अभीकं उरुष्यतं माध्वी दत्ता न ऊन्ती ॥४॥
 उरु वां रथः परि नक्षति द्याना यत्समुद्रादभि वर्तते वाम् ।
 मध्वा माध्वी मधु वां प्रुषायन्यत्सीं वां पृक्षो भुरजन्त पक्वाः ॥५॥

makshú hí shmā gáchatha ívato dyān indro ná śaktīm pá-
 ritakmyāyām | divá ájātā divyā suparṇā káyā śácīnām bha-
 vathah śácvishthā || 3 || ká vām bhūd úpamātiḥ káyā na
 āśvinā gamatho hūyámānā | kó vām mahas eit tyájaso
 abhíka urushyátam mādhvī dasrā na ūtí || 4 || urú vām rá-
 thah pári nakshati dyām á yát samudrád abhí vártate
 vām | mādhvā mādhvī mādhu vām prushāyan yát sīm vām
 pṛiksho bhurájanta pakvāḥ || 5 ||

Which of these, who deserve honour will listen to our prayers? Which of all divine forces will response to our sacred prayers? On whose heart, dearest among the immortals, may we lay this celestial, splendid, dedicated, affectionate prayer? 1

Who will make us happy? Who will, among divine powers, come promptly to us? Who will bring real joy to us? What chariot do they say is quick and drawn by rapid steeds? Verily, that, which the daughter of the sun, the dawn, selects. 2

By moving, you proceed rapidly by day and manifest your power just as the sun manifests its power at the end of night. You are, O twin-divines, descending from heaven, and possessing divine graceful motion. (May we know) by which of your functions, you are most distinguished. 3

O twin-divines, sweet-tempered and foe-destroyers, what could be the fit measure to match your merits? Invoked by what praises do you come to us? Who can bear the attack of your great wrath? O destroyers of evils, lovers of sweetness, may you defend us with your protective measures. 4

Your chariot travels in wide space and round the heaven, till it goes beyond the firmament. Singers of songs are adding sweet melodies to their words of devotional offerings, as if mixing boiled barley with other libations, and sweet herbal juices with milk. 5

सिन्धुर्ह वां रसया सिञ्चदध्वान्ब्रूणा वयोऽरुपासः परि गमन् ।
 तद् पु वामजिरं चेति यानं येन पती भवथः सूर्यायाः ॥६॥
 इहेह यद्वा समना पपूक्षे सेयमस्मे सुमतिर्वाजरजा ।
 उरुष्यते जरितारं युवं ह श्रितः कामो नासत्या युवद्रिक ॥७॥

sindhur ha vām rasāyā
 siñcad āśvān ghrīṇā vāyo 'ruṣhāsah pári gman | tād ū shú
 vām ajirām ceti yānam yēna pāti bhāvathah sūryāyāḥ ॥ 6 ॥
 ihéha yád vām samanā paprikshé séyām asmé sumatír vā-
 jaratnā | urushyátam jaritāram yuvām ha śritāḥ kámo nā-
 satya yuvadrik ॥ 7 ॥

(४४) वतुधत्वारिसं सूक्तम्

(१-७) समर्चस्वास्त्य सूक्तस्य सौक्ष्मेन पुष्पमीन्द्राहरी । अश्विनो देवते । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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तं वां रथे वयमुद्या हुवेम पृथुज्रयमश्विना संगतिं गोः ।
 यः सूर्या वहति वन्धुरायुर्गिर्वीहसं पुरुतमं वसुयुम् ॥१॥
 युवं श्रियमश्विना देवता तां दिवो नपाता वनधः शर्चीभिः ।
 युवोर्वपुरभि पृक्षः सचन्ते वहन्ति यत्कुहातो रथे वाम् ॥२॥
 को वामद्या करते रातहव्य उत्तये वा सुतपेयाय वार्कैः ।
 ऋतस्य वा वनुषे पुर्व्याय नमो येमानो अश्विना ववर्तत ॥३॥

44.

Tām vām rátham vayám adyā huvema prithujráyam
 aśvinā sāṃgatim góḥ | yāḥ sūryām váhati vandhurāyúr
 gírvāhasam purutāmam vasūyám ॥ 1 ॥ yuvām śrīyam aśvinā
 devātā tām dívo napātā vanathah śácībhiḥ | yuvór vāpur
 abhí pṛikshah sacante váhanti yát kakuhāso rátthe vām
 ॥ 2 ॥ kó vām adyā karate rātāhavya ūtāye vā sutapéyāya
 vārkaīḥ | ríśāsya vā vanúshe pūrvyāya námo yemānó aśvinā
 vavartat ॥ 3 ॥

The radiant rays carry over moisture from flowing waters, just as steeds moving across the river. The radiations pass on like birds, bright with lustre. Well known is that quick-moving chariot, whereby you become lords of the dawns. 6

O twin-divines, both of you are like-minded and rich in treasures. May our earnest praise offered to you be beneficial to us. May you protect your worshipper. O ever-true divines, my aspirations are directed towards you for gratification. 7

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O twin-divines, today we invoke your rapid chariot, which is far-spreading and the associator of the solar rays. This well-tightened chariot, which is vast, rich in treasure, and laden with praises, bears the dawn. 1

O twin-divines, sustainers of heaven, you enjoy this glory by your might and power, and by the sacrificial food, which is offered to you; your stately horses (rays) draw you in your chariot. 2

Who is that offerer of oblations; that addresses you today with hymns, for the sake of obtaining protection, and for gaining spiritual joy, or for the eternal fulfilment of the aspiration of worship. Who is the offerer of adoration. that brings you, O twin-divines, to this place of worship. 3

हिरण्ययेन पुरुषु रथेनेमं यज्ञं नासत्योप यातम् ।
 पिबाथ इन्मधुनः सोम्यस्य दधयो रत्नं विधत्ते जनाय ॥४॥
 आ नो यातं दिवो अच्छा पृथिव्या हिरण्ययेन सुवृता रथेन ।
 मा वामन्ये नि यमन्देवयन्तः सं यदुदे नाभिः पुर्या वाम् ॥५॥
 नू नो रयिं पुरुवीरं बृहन्तं दत्त्वा मिमाथामुभयेष्वस्ये ।
 नरो यद्वामश्विना स्तोममावन्तसुधस्तुतिमाजमीब्धहासो अगमन् ॥६॥
 इहेह यद्वाम समना पपूक्षे सेयमस्ये सुमतिर्वाजरत्ना ।
 उरुण्यतै जरितारै युवं ह श्रितः कामो नासत्या युवद्विक् ॥७॥

hiranyáyena purubhū ráthenemám yajñám nā-
 satyópa yātam | pibātha ín mādhuṇaḥ somyásya dádhathe
 rátnam vidhaté jánāya || 4 || á no yātam divó áchā prithi-
 vyā hiranyáyena suvrítā ráthena | mām vām anyé ní yaman
 devayántaḥ sám yád dadé nábbhiḥ pūrvyā vām || 5 || nū
 no rayím pūruvīraṁ bṛhántam dāsrā mímāthām ubháyeshe
 asmé | náro yád vām asvinā stómam āvan sadhástutim
 ājamilhāso agman || 6 || ihéha yád vām — || 7 ||

(४५) पञ्चपत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-७) सप्तर्षस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । अश्विनौ देवते । (१-६) प्रथमाद्विषद्वयं अगती,

(७) सप्तम्याथ विष्टुर् छन्दसी ॥

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एष स्य भानुरुदियति युज्यते रथः परिज्मा दिवो अस्य सानवि ।
 पृक्षासो असिन्मिथुना अधि त्रयो दृतिस्तुरीयो मधुनो वि रप्सते ॥१॥

45.

Eshá syá bhānúr úd iyarti yujyáte ráthah párijmā divó
 asyá sánavi | priksrháso asmin mithunā ádhi tráyo drítis tú-
 ríyo mādhuṇo ví rapṣate || 1 ||

O omnipresent, ever-true twin-divines, come with your golden chariot to this place of worship and participate in the sparkling glory of universe, and give precious treasures to the devotee, who adores you. 4

Come to us, whether from heaven or earth, with your well-constructed golden chariot. Let not other worshippers, aspiring to be divine, detain you. Because here you are bound by earlier bonds of friendship. 5

O destroyers of devils, may you grant us both great opulence, comprising many descendants, since the leaders of the worship have addressed many praises, and worshippers of eternal Lord have joined them in their laudations. 6

O twin-divines, both of you are like-minded and rich in treasures. May our earnest praise offered to you be beneficial to us. May you protect your worshipper. O ever-true divines, our aspirations are directed towards you for gratification. 7

Yonder goes up the sun, your chariot, O twin-divines, traversing the regions. It is associated with the divine orb on the summit of the heaven. Within it are the three analogous kinds of food : the wind, the electricity and the water ; and the leather-like vessel of the sweet clouds rustling is the fourth one. 1

उद्धाँ पृक्षासो मधुमन्त ईरते रथा अश्वास उपसो व्युष्टिषु ।
 अपोर्णुवन्तस्तम आ परीवृतं स्वर्णं शुक्रं तन्वन्त आ रजः ॥२॥
 मध्वः पिबतं मधुपेभिरासभिरुत प्रियं मधुने युञ्जाथां रथम् ।
 आ वर्तन्ति मधुना जिन्वथस्पृथो हतिं वहेथे मधुमन्तमश्विना ॥३॥
 हंसासो ये वा मधुमन्तो अस्त्रिधो हिरण्यपर्णा उहुव उपबुधः ।
 उदभ्रुतो मन्दिनो मन्दिनिस्पृशो मध्वो न मधः सर्वनानि गच्छथः ॥४॥

ūd vām prikshāso mādhu-
 manta irate rāthā āśvāsa uśhāso vyūṣṭiṣhu | apornuvāntas
 tāma ā pārīvṛitam svār nā sukrām tanvānta ā rājah || 2 ||
 mādhvah pibatam madhupébhir āsábhir utá priyām má-
 dhune yuñjāthām rātham | ā vartanīm mādhunā jinvathas
 pathó dṛitīm vahethe mādhumantam aśvinā || 3 || haṁsāso
 yé vām mādhumanto asrídho hīraṇyaparnā uhúva usharbú-
 dhaḥ | udaprúto mandíno mandinispṛiśo mādḥvo ná má
 kshaḥ sávanāni gachathah || 4 ||

स्वध्वरासो मधुमन्तो अमय उस्त्रा जरन्ते प्रति वस्तोरश्विनी ।
 यन्निकहस्तस्तरणिर्विचक्षणः सोमं सुपाव मधुमन्तमद्रिभिः ॥५॥
 अकेनिपासो अहभिर्दिविध्वतः स्वर्णं शुक्रं तन्वन्त आ रजः ।
 सूरभ्रिदधान्युयुजान ईयते विश्वो अनु स्वधया चेतथस्पृथः ॥६॥
 प्र वामवोचमश्विना धियंवा रथः स्वध्वो अजरो यो अस्ति ।
 येन सद्यः परि रजांसि याथो हविष्मन्तं तरणिं भोजमच्छ ॥७॥

svadhvarāso mādhumanto
 agnáya usrá jarante práti vástor aśvinā | yán niktáhastas
 tarāṇir vicakṣhaṇāḥ sómam susháva mādhumantam ádri-
 bhīḥ || 5 || ākenipāso áhabhir dávidhvataḥ svār nā sukrām
 tanvānta ā rājah | sūtraṣ cid āśvān yuyujāná iyate vísvāñ
 ānu svadháyā cetathas patháh || 6 || prá vām avocam aśvinā
 dhiyaṁdhā rāthah sváśvo ajáro yó ásti | yéna sadyáh pári
 rājānsi yāthó havíṣhmantam tarāṇim bhojām ácha || 7 ||

Your food-bearing, cloud-laden, well-horsed chariots, appear at the flash of the dawn, scattering the surrounding gloom, like the sun, and spreading bright radiance over the firmament. 2

May you drink the heavenly sweet sap with lips accustomed to drink it; may you harness your beloved chariot for the sweet sap. May you come to the dwelling of the worshipper, and enliven the path with the sacred sap. May you bring, O twin-divines, the leather vessels, filled with the heavenly elixir. 3

May you come to our place of worship, as fleeing insects and birds to honey, with those waves that are swift of speed, gentle, persistent in action, golden-winged, bearers of burdens, early wakers at dawn, dispensers of water, exulting and sipping the heavenly elixir. 4

The foremost requisite of the holy rituals, the sacred fire, the acceptor of sweet libations, praises the associated twin-divines every day, when the prudent priest, the conductor of the ceremony, with clean hands expresses by grinding stones the sweet-flavoured juice of medicinal herbs. 5

The near-advancing rays, dispersing the darkness by the light of day, are over-spreading the firmament with lustre. The sun, harnessing as if the (horses) of his chariot, proceeds on his way. May you investigate the paths on which the sun traverses, offering food libations, as he moves. 6

Celebrating sacred rites, I glorify you, O twin-divines. Your undecaying chariot has excellent horses, wherewith you traverse swiftly through the regions of space. May you abounding in oblations promptly come to our place of worship, conferring happiness. 7

(४६) षट्पत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-७) एतर्षत्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो नामदेव ऋषिः । (१) प्रथमर्षो वायुः,

(२-७) द्वितीयाविष्ण्वाख्येन्द्रवायू देवते । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

२॥ अग्रं पिबामधूनां सुतं वायो दिविष्टिषु । त्वं हि पूर्वपा असि ॥१॥
 शतेना नो अभिष्टिभिर्नियुत्वाँ इन्द्रसारथिः । वायो सुतस्य तृस्पतम् ॥२॥
 आ वाँ सहस्रं हरय इन्द्रवायू अभि प्रयः । वहन्तु सोमपीतये ॥३॥

46.

Āgram pibā mādhhūnām sutām vāyo diviṣṭiṣhu | tvam
 hī pūrvapā āsi || 1 || śatēnā no abhiṣṭibhir niyūtvāñ indra-
 sārathiḥ | vāyo sutāsya tṛimpatam || 2 || ā vām sahasraṁ
 hāraya indravāyū abhi prayaḥ | vāhantu śomapītaye || 3 ||

रथं हिरण्यवन्धुरमिन्द्रवायू स्वध्वरम् । आहि स्थाथो दिविस्पृशम् ॥४॥
 रथेन पृथुपाजसा दाश्वान्समुप गच्छतम् । इन्द्रवायू इहा गतम् ॥५॥
 इन्द्रवायू अयं सुतस्तं देवेभिः सजोषसा । पिबतं दाशुपो गृहे ॥६॥
 इह प्रयाणमस्तु वामिन्द्रवायू विमोचनम् । इह वाँ सोमपीतये ॥७॥

rātham hīraṇyavandhuram indravāyū svadhvarām | ā hī
 sthātho diviṣprīṣam || 4 || rāthēna pṛithupājasā dāśvānsam
 ūpa gachhatam | indravāyū ihā gatam || 5 || indravāyū ayam
 sutas tam devēbhiḥ saśośasā | pibatam dāśuṣho grīhē || 6 ||
 ihā prayāṇam astu vām indravāyū vimōcanam | ihā vām
 śomapītaye || 7 ||

Accept first, O vital breath, the presented offering of the devotional love, at worship that secures happiness, for, you verily are the first acceptor. 1

O vital breath, associated by the subsidiaries, the sense-organs and having the soul as the charioteer, come for the fulfilment of our numerous aspirations. May you and the soul enjoy the worldly pleasures. 2

O soul and vital breath, may the thousands steeds comprising sense perceptions, eager for sustenance bring you to relish exhilarating enjoyments. 3

O soul and vital breath, may you mount the golden-seated chariot, the body, that aids our worship, soaring high to the inner most bliss. 4

O soul and vital breath, while going to the liberal devotee, come here with your very strong chariot of the body. 5

O soul and vital breath, these devotional songs are recited for you. May you, associated with Nature's bounties relish it in the home of the liberal devotee. 6

O soul and vital breath, may hither be the course of your journey. May you let your sense-organs relax here for enjoying the heavenly bliss. 7

(४७) सप्तचत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-४) पञ्चर्चस्वास्त्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१) प्रथमर्चो वायुः, (२-४) द्वितीयादितृचम्य चेन्द्रवायू देवते । अनुष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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वाय॑ो शुक्रो अयामि ते मध्वो अग्रं दिविष्टिषु ।
 आ य॑हि सोम॑पीतये स्पार्हो देव नियु॑त्वता ॥१॥
 इन्द्रश्च वाय॑वेषां सोमा॑नां पी॒तिर्म॑र्हथः ।
 युवां॑ हि यन्ती॒न्दवो नि॒घ्नमा॑पो न स॒ध्यक् ॥२॥
 वाय॑विन्द्रश्च शु॒ष्मिणा॑ सुर॒थं शव॑सस्पती ।
 नियु॑त्वन्ता न ऊ॒तय॑ आ या॑तुं सोम॑पीतये ॥३॥
 या वां॑ सन्ति पुरु॑स्पृ॒हो नियु॑तो दा॒शुषे॑ नरा ।
 अ॒से ता य॑ज्ञवाहु॒सेन्द्र॑वायू नि य॑च्छतम् ॥४॥

47.

Vāyo ṣukró ayāmi te mādhwō ágraṃ dívishṭīṣhu | ā yāhi
 sōmapīṭaye spārhō deva niyútvaṭā || 1 || indraṣ ca vāyav
 eśhām sōmānām pītīm arhathah | yuvām hí yántíndavo ni
 umnām āpo ná sadhryak || 2 || vāyav indraṣ ca śushmīṇā sa
 rátham śavasas patī | niyútvantā na ūtāya ā yātaṃ sōma
 pīṭaye || 3 || yā vām sánti purusprīho niyúto dāśúshe narā
 asmé tá yajñavāhaséndravāyū ní yachataṃ || 4 ||

(४८) अष्टचत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-४) पञ्चर्चस्वास्त्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । वायुर्देवता । अनुष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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वि॒हि हो॒त्रा अ॒वी॒ता वि॒पो न रा॒यो अ॒र्यः ।
 वाय॑वा च॒न्द्रेण॑ रथे॒न या॑हि सु॒तस्य॑ पी॒तये॑ ॥१॥

48.

Vihí hótrā ávitā vípo ná ráyo aryáh | vāyav ā candréṇa
 ráthena yāhi sutásya pīṭaye || 1 ||

O vital breath, purified by holy acts, I bring to you the loving devotion, offered first to you at all worships. O ever-loved divine, come with your subsidiaries, the sense perceptions, to enjoy the exhilarating experiences. 1

O soul and vital breath, both of you deserve to relish the devotional elixir. Our devotion flows towards you as drops of water gather to move towards lower levels. 2

O soul and vital breath, lords of strength, vigorous, and drawn by the subsidiaries, the sense-perceptions, may both of you come riding in the same vehicle to accept devotional love for our protection. 3

Leaders of ceremonies, conveyors of sacred homage, O soul and vital breath, may you grant to the dedicated devotees the reputed sense-enjoying faculties, which are blessed by you. 4

O vital breath, come like an army chief, the terrifier of evil force. May you enrich the worshipper and come with your refulgent car to enjoy exhilarating experiences. 1

निर्घुवाणो अशस्तीर्नियुत्वाँ इन्द्रसारथिः ।
 वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥२॥
 अनु कृष्णे वसुधिते येमाते विश्वपेशसा ।
 वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥३॥
 वहन्तु त्वा मनोयुजो युक्तासो नवतिर्नव ।
 वायवा चन्द्रेण रथेन याहि सुतस्य पीतये ॥४॥
 वायौ शतं हरीणां युवस्व पोष्याणाम् ।
 उत वा ते सहस्रिणो रथ आ यातु पाजसा ॥५॥

niryuvāṇo āśastir niyū-
 tvāñ indrasārathiḥ | vāyav — || 2 || ānu kṛṣṇe vāsudhiti
 yemāte viśvāpeśasā | vāyav — || 3 || vāhantu tvā manoyūjo
 yuktāso navatīr náva | vāyav — || 4 || vāyo śatām hārīṇām
 yuvāsva pošyāṇām | utā vā te sahasrīṇo rātha ā yātu pā-
 jāsā || 5 ||

(४९) एकोनपञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) षड्विंशत्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । इन्द्रावृहस्पती देवते । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥२५॥ इदं वामास्ये हविः प्रियमिन्द्रावृहस्पती । उक्थं मर्दश्च शस्यते ॥१॥
 अयं वां परि पिच्यते सोम इन्द्रावृहस्पती । चारुर्मदाय पीतये ॥२॥
 आ न इन्द्रावृहस्पती गृहमिन्द्रश्च गच्छतम् । सोमपा सोमपीतये ॥३॥

49.

Idām vām āsyē havīḥ priyām indrābrihaspatī | ukthām
 mādaṣ ca śasyate || 1 || ayām vām pāri shicyate sóma in-
 drābrihaspatī | cārur mādāya pitāye || 2 || ā na indrābrihas-
 patī grīhām indraṣ ca gachatam | somapā sómapitāye || 3 ||

O vital breath, the represser of calumnies, drawn by the subsidiaries, the sense perceptions, and having the soul as your charioteer, come with your refulgent car to enjoy exhilarating experiences. 2

The two attractive sources of sustenance, the universal forms (heaven and earth) wait upon you; come, O vital breath, with your refulgent car to enjoy exhilarating experiences. 3

May the ninety-nine energies, harnessed together, swift as mind, convey you. Come, O vital breath, with your brilliant sense-perceptions to enjoy exhilarating experiences. 4

Harness, O vital breath, one hundred vital energies, or even a thousand, and let your chariot come with rapidity hither. 5

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O resplendent self and the super-dominating wisdom, I, the ego, present a morsel of melodies into your mouth and offer loving devotion to your heart. 1

This sweet sacred hymn has been expressed, O resplendent self and supreme wisdom, for you for acceptance and exhilaration. 2

O resplendent self and supreme wisdom, relishers of divine pleasure, come to our dwelling (inner cavity) and accept our loving devotion. 3

अस्मे इन्द्रावृहस्पती रविं धत्तं शतृग्विनेम् । अथावन्तं सहस्त्रिणम् ॥४॥
 इन्द्रावृहस्पती वयं सुते गीर्भिर्हवामहे । अस्म्य सोमस्य पीतये ॥५॥
 सोममिन्द्रावृहस्पती पिबतं दाशुषो गृहे । मादयेथां तदोक्ता ॥६॥

asmé indrābrihaspatī rayīm dbattam śatagvīnam | āgsvāvan-
 tam sahasrīnam || 4 || indrābrihaspatī vayām suté gīrbhīr
 havāmahe | asyā sōmasya pītāye || 5 || sōmam indrābrihas-
 patī pībatam dāśuṣho gṛihé | mādāyethām tādokasā ||
 6 ||

(५०) पञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चन्यास्य सूक्तस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-२) प्रथमादिनवर्षा वृहस्पतिः, (१०-११)
 दशम्येकादशयोश्चेन्द्रावृहस्पती देवते । (१-२, ११) प्रथमादिनवर्षाभिरुक्तादस्याध विदुषः,
 (१०) दशम्याध जगती छन्दसी ॥

॥२९॥ यस्तस्तम्भ सहसा वि ज्मो अन्तान्वृहस्पतिस्त्रिपद्यस्यो रवेण ।
 तं प्रवास ऋषयो दीर्घानाः पुरो विप्रा दधिरे मन्द्रजिह्वम् ॥१॥
 धुनेतयः सुप्रकेतं मर्दन्ते वृहस्पते अभि ये नस्तत्से ।
 पृषन्तं सुप्रमदब्धमुर्वं वृहस्पते रक्षतादस्य योनिम् ॥२॥

50.

Yās tastāmbha sāhasā vi jmo āntān bṛihaspatīs trisha-
 dhassthó rāveṇa | tām pratnāsa ṛṣhaya dīdhyānāḥ puró ví-
 prā dadhire mandrájihvam || 1 || dhunétayaḥ supraketaṁ
 mādanto bṛihaspate abhí yé naś tatasré | pṛṣhantaṁ śṛip-
 rām ádabdhām ūrvām bṛihaspate rákshatād asya yōnim
 || 2 ||

Grant us, O resplendent self and supreme wisdom
hundreds of cows (thoughts) and thousands of horses
(vital activity). 4

O resplendent self and supreme wisdom, we invoke you
with praises to share the effused sap of devotion and
enjoy the drink. 5

Cherish, O resplendent self and supreme wisdom, cherish
the loving devotion, in the apartment of the donor, and
be exhilarated in his abode. 6

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Amongst the very very old heavenly bodies, stars, planets,
the most prominent is the lord of the vast universe (the
sun, of the physical region), who has pleasing tongue
of flames, who sustains the ends of the earth by his
might, and who abides with sovereignty in the three
regions of the universe. 1

O Lord of vast universe (universal Lord of spiritual
region), may you protect the fruit-yielding, progressive,
invincible, great sacred works of your such worshippers,
as gladden you by their work, and who are possessed of
great wisdom, and glorify you. May you make their
adversaries tremble. 2

बृहस्पते या परमा परावदत आ त ऋत्स्पृशो नि षेदुः ।
 तुभ्यं खाता अंता अद्रिदुग्धा मध्वः श्रोतस्यभितो विरप्शाम् ॥३॥
 बृहस्पतिः प्रथमं जायमानो महो ज्योतिषः परमे व्योमन् ।
 सप्तास्यस्तुविजतो रवेण वि सप्तरश्मिरधमत्तमांसि ॥४॥
 स सुष्टुभा स ऋक्ता गुणेन वलं रुरोज फलिगं रवेण ।
 बृहस्पतिरुस्त्रिया हव्यसूदः कनिकदुह्यवशतीरुदाजत् ॥५॥

br̥haspate yā paramā parāvād āta ā ta ritasprīso ni
 sheduḥ | túbhyam khātá avatá ádrīdugdhā mād̥hva ṣeo-
 tanty abhīto virap̥śām || 3 || br̥haspátīḥ prathamāṁ jáya-
 māno mahó jyótishah paramé vyōman | saptāsyas tuvijātó
 ráveṇa ví saptáraṣmir adhamat támānsi || 4 || sá susṭúbhā
 sá rīkvatā gaṇéna valám ruroja phaligām ráveṇa | br̥has-
 pátir usríyā havyasúdaḥ kánikradad vávasatīr úd ājat
 || 5 ||

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एवा पित्रे विश्वदेवाय वृष्णे यज्ञैर्विधेम नमसा हविर्भिः ।
 बृहस्पते सुप्रजा वीरवन्तो वयं स्याम पतयो रयीणाम् ॥६॥
 स इद्राजा प्रतिजन्यानि विश्वा शुष्मेण तस्थावृभि वीर्येण ।
 बृहस्पतिं यः सुभृतं विभर्ति वल्गूयति वन्दते पूर्वभाजम् ॥७॥
 स इक्षेति सुधित ओकसि स्वे तस्मा इळा पिन्यते विश्वदानीम् ।
 तस्मै विशः स्वयमेवा नमन्ते यस्मिन्ब्रह्मा राजन्ति पूर्वं एति ॥८॥

evā pitré viṣvādevāya vṛishṇe yajñair vidhema nāmasā
 havīrbhiḥ | br̥haspate suprajā vīrāvanto vayām syāma pá-
 tayo rayīṇām || 6 || sá īd rājā prátijanyāni víṣvā ṣúshmeṇa
 tasthāv abhī vīryeṇa | br̥haspátīm yāḥ súbhṛitam bibhárti
 valgūyāti vāndate pūrvabhājam || 7 || sá ít ksheti súdhita
 ókasi své tasmā ilā pinvate viṣvadānīm | tasmai víṣaḥ sva-
 yām evā namante yāsmīn brahmā rājani pūrva éti || 8 ||

O sun, lord of vast universe, these vital rays of yours, coming from a distant region, exist in the eternal order. May these rays relish the exhilarating moisture of all that is on this earth, just as the worshipper enjoys the herbal juice, pressed by the sounding stones during the ceremony and flowing copiously, as if from a deep well. 3

O sun, lord of vast universe, you first appear in the highest region of supreme light with your seven-fold mouth and with noise of thunder ; with seven rays, you blow and disperse the darkness. 4

Aided by the reputed and brilliant troop of the devout sages, he destroys with super-sound the crooked pollution. Then the sun the lord of vast universe, the bestower of food with super-sound, sets free his rays for the growth of harvest, that supplies the material of oblations. 5

Thus may we offer worship with praises and dedication and with oblation to the paternal universal Lord, the showerer of benefits, and may we, O Lord of Universe, be blessed with excellent and valiant progeny and become proud possessors of rich treasures. 6

Surely that prince overcomes by his strength and prowess all hostile people, who cherishes Supreme Lord liberally by oblations and glorifies and honours him as the foremost sharer of the offering. 7

Verily he dwells in peace and comfort in his own house ; to him the earth bears fruit in all seasons ; to him his subjects willingly pay homage, the prince to whom the Lord supreme first favours with His blessings. 8

अप्रतीतो जयति सं धनानि प्रतिजन्यान्नुत या सजन्या ।
 अवस्ये यो वरिवः कृणोति ब्रह्मणे राजा तमवन्ति देवाः ॥९॥
 इन्द्रश्च सोमं पिबतं बृहस्पतेऽस्मिन्यज्ञे मन्दसाना वृषष्वसू ।
 आ वां विशन्तिवन्दवः स्वामुबोऽस्मे रयिं सर्ववीरं नि यच्छतम् ॥१०॥
 बृहस्पत इन्द्र वर्धतं नः सचा सा वां सुमतिर्भूत्वस्मे ।
 अविष्टं धियो जिगृतं पुरंधीर्जज्ञस्तमुर्यो वनुषामरातीः ॥११॥

ápratīto jayati sām dhánāni prátijanyāny utá yá sájanya |
 avasyáve yó varivah kṛṇóti brahmāṇe rájā tám avanti de-
 vāḥ || 9 || indraṣ ca sómam pibatam bṛihaspate 'smín yajñé
 mandasāná vṛishanvasū | á vām viśantv índavaḥ svābhúvo
 'smé rayīm sárva-vīram ní yachataṁ || 10 || bṛihaspata indra
 vārdhataṁ naḥ sácā sá vām sumatír bhūtv asmé | avishtám
 dhíyo jigritám púramdhīr jajastám aryó vanúshām áratīḥ
 || 11 ||

(५१) एकपञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । उषा देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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॥१॥ इदमु त्यत्पुरुतमं पुरस्ताज्योतिस्तमसो वयुनावदस्यात् ।
 नूनं दिवो दुहितरो विभातीर्गन्तुं हृणवद्भुषसो जनाय ॥१॥
 अस्थुरु चित्रा उपसः पुरस्तान्मिता इय स्वर्वोऽध्वरेषु ।
 व्यं ब्रजस्य तमसो द्वारोच्छन्तीरब्रज्जुचयः पावकाः ॥२॥

51.

Idám u tyát purutámam purástāj jyótis támaso vayú-
 návad asthāt | nūnám divó d'hitáro vibhātír gātum kṛṇa-
 vann ushásó jánāya || 1 || ásthur u citrá ushásah purástān
 mitá íva sváravo 'dhvaréshu | vy ñ vrajásya támaso dvā-
 rochántír avrañ chūcayah pávakáh || 2 ||

Unopposed, that prince becomes the winner of the treasures of hostile people, and of his own subjects, who bestows riches upon learned men and seeks their protection. All divine powers also offer protection to him. 9

O Supreme Lord, may you and your radiant powers, exulting and showering riches, accept our devotional love at congregation. May you be fully satisfied with our loving regards. May you bestow upon us riches and heroic descendants. 10

O Lord with resplendence and supreme wisdom, may you elevate us ; may we be combinedly blessed with both of your these attributes. May you assist our holy thoughts and wake up our spirits. May you weaken the hatred of our adversaries. 11

Their widely-spread light is coming up in the east, from out of darkness, inspiring divine wisdom. Verily the brilliant dawns, the daughters of heaven, enlighten the path of action for men. 1

The richly-coloured dawns rise up in the east, like the pillars planted at the place of worship round the altar. Radiant, splendid and purifying are they manifested, opening the portals of the fold of gloom. 2

उच्छन्तीरय चित्तवन्त भोजानाधोदेयायोपसो मघोनीः ।
 अचित्रे अन्तः पुण्यः ससन्त्वबुध्यमानास्तमसो विमध्ये ॥३॥
 कुवित्स देवीः सनयो नवो वा यामो बभूयादुपसो वो अद्य ।
 येना नवग्वे अङ्गिरे दशग्वे सप्तास्ये रेवती रेवदुष ॥४॥
 यूयं हि देवीर्कृतयुग्भिर्धैः परिप्रयाथ भुवनानि सद्यः ।
 प्रबोधयन्तीरुपसः ससन्तं द्विपाचतुष्पाचरथाय जीवम् ॥५॥

uchántīr adyá cita-

yanta bhoján rādhodéyāyosháso maghóniḥ | acitré antáh
 paṇáyāḥ sasantv ābudhyamānās tāmāso vímadhye || 3 || ku-
 vīt sá devīḥ sanáyo návo vā yámo babhūyād ushaso vo
 adyá | yēnā návagve āṅgire dāśagve saptásye revatī revád
 ūshá || 4 || yūyām hí devīr ṛitayúgbhir āśvaiḥ pariprayāthā
 bhūvanāni sadyāḥ | prabodháyantīr ushasaḥ sasántaṁ dvi-
 pāc cáusphāc carāthāya jivám || 5 ||

॥३॥ कं स्विदासां कतमा पुराणी यया विधानां विदधुर्कैभुणाम् ।
 शुभं यच्छुभ्रा उपसश्चरन्ति न वि ज्ञायन्ते सहशीरजुर्याः ॥६॥
 ता घा ता भद्रा उपसः पुरासुरभिष्टियुञ्जा कृतजातसत्याः ।
 यास्वीजानः शशमान उक्थैः स्तुवञ्छंसन्द्रविणं सद्य आप ॥७॥
 ता आ चरन्ति समुना पुरस्तात्समानतः समुना पप्रथानाः ।
 कृतस्य देवीः सदसो बुधाना गवां न सर्गा उपसो जरन्ते ॥८॥

kvā svid āsāṃ katamā purāṇī yáyā vidhānā vidadhúr
 ṛibhūṇām | śubham yāc chubhrā ushāsaḥ cāranti ná ví jñā-
 yante sadṛīṣīr ajuryāḥ || 6 || tā ghā tā bhadrá ushāsaḥ pu-
 rāsūr abhishtīdyumnā ṛitājātasatyāḥ | yāsv ījānāḥ śaśamānā
 ukthaiḥ stuvāṇ chānsan drāviṇaṃ sadyā āpa || 7 || tā ā ca-
 ranti samanā purastāt samānātaḥ samanā paprathānāḥ | ṛi-
 tāsyā devīḥ sādaso budhānā gāvām ná sargā ushāso ja-
 rante || 8 ||

The gloom-dispelling, affluent dawns animate the pious worshippers to offer sacrificial treasure. May the churlish traffickers sleep on unawakened in the gloomy depth of darkness. 3

O divine dawns, may your chariot, whether old or new, be frequent at this day's worship, wherewith, O affluent dawns, possessing riches, may you shine upon the singers reciting seven-tones of the fire-priests, presiding over the ceremony lasting nine or ten days. 4

O divine dawns, with speedy rays, harnessed by eternal order, you swiftly travel round the regions of space. May you arouse the sleeping creatures, whether biped (men) or quadruped (cattle), so that they may pursue their assigned duties. 5

Where is that ancient one of those dawns, through whom the works of men of experience and wisdom are accomplished? As the bright dawns happily proceed onward, they are not known apart, being alike and undecaying. 6

Blessed are those dawns, shining with blessings, furnished with that truth which springs from eternal holy order. With the help of these dawns, the worshipper, adoring with silent praises, and glorifying with hymns, soon obtains riches. 7

Coming from the east, from the same region alike, they spread around in a similar form. These divine dawns, springing from the seat of holy order, shine like radiant rays of the sun. 8

ता इष्ट्वेष्टेव समाना समानीरमीतवर्णा उपसंश्वरन्ति ।
 गृहन्तीरभ्वमसितं रशद्भिः शुक्रास्तनूभिः शुचयो रुचानाः ॥९॥
 रयिं दिवो दुहितरो विभातीः प्रजावन्तं यच्छतास्मासु देवीः ।
 स्योनादा वः प्रतिबुध्यमानाः सुवीर्यस्य पतयः स्याम ॥१०॥
 तद्वो दिवो दुहितरो विभातीरुप ब्रुव उपसो यज्ञकैतुः ।
 वयं स्याम यशसो जनेषु तद्वयौश्च धृतां पृथिवी च देवी ॥११॥

tā in nv évā samanā samānīr āmitavarṇā ushā-
 saṣ caranti | gūhantīr ābhvam āsitam rūśadbhiḥ śukrās ta-
 nūbhiḥ śūcayo ručānāḥ || 9 || rayim divo duhitaro vibhātīḥ
 prajāvantam yachatāsmāsu devīḥ | syonād ā vaḥ pratibū-
 dhyamānāḥ suvīryasya pātayaḥ syāma || 10 || tād vo divo
 duhitaro vibhātīr ūpa bruva ushaso yajñāketuḥ | vayam
 syāma yaśaso jāneṣu tād dyaus ca dhattām pṛthivī ca
 devī || 11 ||

(५२) द्विपञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-७) सप्तर्षस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । उवा देवता । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ प्रति प्या सुनरी जनी व्युच्छन्ती परि स्वसुः । दिवो अदर्शि दुहिता ॥१॥
 अश्वेव चित्रारुषी माता गवामृतावरी । सखाभुदश्विनोरुषाः ॥२॥
 उत सखात्पश्विनोरुत माता गवामसि । उतोषो वस्व ईशिषे ॥३॥
 यावयद्वेषसं त्वा चिकित्वित्सुनृतावरि । प्रति स्तोमैरभुत्समहि ॥४॥

52.

Prāti shyā sūnārī jānī vyuchāntī pāri svāsuḥ | divo
 adarṣi duhitā || 1 || aśveva citrārushī mātā gāvām ṛitāvarī |
 sākṣābhūd aśvinor ushāḥ || 2 || utā sākṣāsy aśvinor utā
 mātā gāvām asi | utōsho vāsva īṣiṣhe || 3 || yāvayāddvesha-
 sam tva cikityit sūnṛitāvarī | prāti stōmair abhutsamahi || 4 ||

These dawns proceed verily all alike, of similar forms, of infinite colours, pure, bright, illumining, concealing the gigantic might of darkness with the radiant rays. 9

O divine, O heaven's resplendent daughters, bestow upon us wealth, children and grand-children. Awaking us for our benefit, may you bless us to be the masters of heroic vigour. 10

O daughters of heaven, resplendent dawns, I, the institutor of worship, implore you, so that we may be glorious among people, and may heaven and earth and light sustain us. 11

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The daughter of heaven, the giver of delight, the granter of benefits, is seen shedding radiance upon her sister, the night, ready to depart. 1

The dawn, in colour like a beautiful mare, the radiant mother of the rays of light, the object of worship, is the friend of the twin-divines,—the sun and moon. 2

O dawn, you are the friend of the twin-divines, you are the mother of the rays of light ; you rule over riches. 3

With laudations we awaken you, O dawn endowed with the light of truth, driver of animosities, and restorer of consciousness. 4

प्रति भद्रा अदृक्षत गवां सर्गा न रश्मयः । ओषा अग्रा उरु ज्रयः ॥५॥
 आपप्रुषी विभावरि व्यावर्ज्योतिषा तमः । उषो अनु स्वधामव ॥६॥
 आ द्यां तनोषि रश्मभिरान्तरिक्षमुक प्रियम् । उषः शुक्रेण शोचिषा ॥७॥

prāti bhadrá adṛikshata gāvām sárgā ná raśmáyah | óshā
 aprā urú jráyah || 5 || āpaprúshī vibhāvari vy āvar jyótiśhā
 támaḥ | úsho ánu svadhām ava || 6 || ā dyām tanoshi ra-
 śmíbhīr āntáriksham urú priyām | úshaḥ śukreṇa śocíshā
 || 7 ||

(५३) विपश्चात् सूक्तम्

(१-७) सतर्चस्यास्य सुक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । सविता देवता । अगती छन्दः ॥

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तदेवस्य सवितुर्वार्यं महद्वर्णीमहे अतुरस्य प्रचेतसः ।
 छर्दिर्येन द्वाष्टुषे यच्छति त्मना तन्नो महौ उदयान्देवो अकुभिः ॥१॥
 दिवो धर्ता भुवनस्य प्रजापतिः पिशङ्गं द्वापिं प्रति मुखते ऋषिः ।
 विचक्षणः प्रथयन्नापूणन्नूर्वजीजनत्सविता सुन्नमुक्थ्यम् ॥२॥
 आग्रा रजोसि दिव्यानि पार्थिवा श्लोकं देवः कृणुते स्वाय धर्मेणे ।
 प्र बाहू अस्त्राक्सविता सर्वाभिनि निवेशयन्प्रसुवन्नकुभिर्जगत् ॥३॥

53.

Tád devásya savitúr váryam mahád vṛiṇímáhe ásurasya
 prácetasah | ehardír yéna dāṣiṣhe yáchatī tmánā tán no
 mahāñ úd ayān devó aktúbhiḥ || 1 || divó dhartā bhúvana-
 sya prajāpatīḥ piśāṅgam drāpīm prāti muñcate kavīḥ | vi-
 cakshaṇāḥ pratháyann āpṛiṇānn urv ájījanat savitá sunnám
 ukthyām || 2 || āprā rájāñsi divyāni párthivā ślókaṁ deváh
 kṛiṇute sváya dhármaṇe | prá bāhú asrāk savitá sāvīmani
 niveśāyan prasuvānn aktúbhiḥ jágat || 3 ||

The auspicious rays are visible, spreading like scattered cows. The dawn has filled the world with her refulgence. 5

O refulgent dawns, filling the world with light, you dispel darkness with your radiance. There after may you protect our grainaries. 6

You overspread, O dawns, the heaven with rays, as well as the vast and loving firmament with pure lustre. 7

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We, solicit of this divine, powerful and all wise creator, who deserves adoration, and who is master of ample wealth; wherewith He freely grants His worshipper, offerer of homage, protection of his own accord. May the great Lord grant us such blessings every day. 1

He, the all-wise creator, is the sustainer of heaven, and the protector of the world. He puts on as if an armour of spiritual halo around Him. He discriminates all objects, and filling the world with bliss, disperses great laudable benefits. 2

The divine creator fills with radiance the celestial and terrestrial regions. Shining in His own sovereignty, He puts forth His arms of help for the protection, regulates the world, and animates it with His divine light. 3

अदाभ्यो भुवनानि प्रचाकश्व्रतानि देवः सविताभि रक्षते ।
 प्रास्त्राग्वाह भुवनस्य प्रजाभ्यो धृतवतो महो अज्मस्य राजति ॥४॥
 त्रिरन्तरिक्षं सविता महित्वना त्री रजांसि परिभूषीणि रोचना ।
 तिस्रो दिवः पृथिवीस्तिस्र इन्वति त्रिभिर्भूतैरभि नो रक्षति त्मना ॥५॥
 बृहत्सुन्नः प्रसवीता निवेशनो जगतः स्थातुरुभयस्य यो वशी ।
 स नो देवः सविता शर्म यच्छत्वस्मे क्षयाप त्रिवर्यमंहसः ॥६॥
 आगन्देव ऋतुभिर्वर्धतु क्षयं दधातु नः सविता सुप्रजामिषम् ।
 स नः क्षपामिरहमिध्व जिन्वतु प्रजावन्तं रयिमस्मे समिन्वतु ॥७॥

ādābhyo bhūva-
 nāni pracākaśad vratāni devāḥ savitābhi rakshate | prāsrāg
 bāhū bhūvanasya prajābhyo dhṛitāvratō mahō ājmasya rā-
 jati || 4 || trīr antārikṣhaṁ savitā mahitvanā trī rājānsi pari-
 bhūś trīṇi rocanā | tistrō dīvaḥ prithivīs tistrā invati tribhūr
 vratair abhi no rakshati tmānā || 5 || bṛihātsumnaḥ prasa-
 vītā nivēśano jāgata sthātūr ubhāyasya yō vaśī | sā no
 devāḥ savitā śārma yachatv asme kshāyāya trivārūtham
 ānhasaḥ || 6 || āgan devā ritūbhir vārdhatu kshāyaṁ dā-
 dhātu naḥ savitā suprajām īsham | sā naḥ kshapābhir āha-
 bhiḥ ca jinvalu prajāvantam rayim asme sām invatu || 7 ||

(५४) षतुष्यध्यासं सूक्तम्

(१-६) षड्विंशत्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । सविता देवता । (१-५) प्रथमादि-
 षड्वर्षा जगती, (६) षडपाद्य त्रिष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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अमूदेवः सविता वन्द्यो नु न इदानीमहं उपवाच्यो नृभिः ।
 वि यो रत्ना भजति मानवेभ्यः श्रेष्ठं नो अत्र द्रविणं यथा दधत् ॥१॥

54.

Ābhūd devāḥ savitā vāndyo nū na idānīm āhna upa-
 vācyo nṛibhiḥ | vī yō rātnā bhājati mānavēbhyāḥ srēṣṭhīṭham
 no ātra draviṇaṁ yāthā dādhat || 1 ||

The divine creator, unhampered in His activities, illumines the regions and protects the righteous men. He extends His arms of help to the people of the earth. Firm in His determinations, He shines over the wide world. 4

The creator, encompassing all the three regions by his magnitude, He pervades the three divisions of the firmament, the three worlds, the three brilliant spheres, the three heavens, and the threefold earth. May He, by His threefold measures, protect us, through His own pleasure. 5

May that divine creator, who is the source of great happiness, the engender of all, comprehender of all, regulator of both the moveable and the stationary, grant us happiness in the three worlds, and enable us to drive away the sins. 6

May the divine creator be with us along with all His seasonal blessing. May He bring prosperity to our homes, and bestow upon us food and noble sons. May He inspire us by nights and by days. May He send us opulence with progeny. 7

Now we have the realization of the divine creator. May He be glorified by us and praised by the priests at this ceremony and at the close of the day in order that He apportion precious treasures to humanity. May He bestow upon us, on this occasion, most excellent wealth. 1

देवेभ्यो हि प्रथमं यज्ञिषेभ्योऽमृतत्वं सुवसि भगसुत्तमम् ।
 आदिहामानं सवितुर्वृणुषेऽनूचीना जीविता मानुषेभ्यः ॥२॥
 अचिन्ती यच्चकृमा देव्ये जने दीनेर्दक्षैः प्रभृती पुरुषत्वता ।
 देवेषु च सवितुर्मानुषेषु च त्वं नो अत्र सुवतादनांसः ॥३॥
 न प्रमिये सवितुर्देव्यस्य तद्यथा विश्वं भुवनं धारयिष्यति ।
 यत्पृथिव्या वरिमन्ना स्वङ्गुरिर्वर्ष्मन्द्दिवः सुवति सत्यमस्य तत् ॥४॥

devébhyo hí pratha-
 mām yajñīyebhyo 'mṛitatvām suvási bhāgām uttamām | ād
 īd dāmānam savitar vy ūṇushe 'nūcīnā jivitā mānushē-
 bhyah || 2 || ācittī yāc cakṛimā dāvyē jāne dīnāir dākshaiḥ
 prābhūti pūrushatvātā | devēshu ca savitar mānusheshu ca
 tvām no ātra suvatād ānāgasah || 3 || nā pramiye savitūr
 dāvyasya tād yāthā viśvam bhūvanam dhārayiṣhyāti | yāt
 prithivyā vārimann ā svaṅgurīr vārshman divāḥ suvāti sa-
 tyām asya tāt || 4 ||

इन्द्रज्येष्ठान्वृहद्भ्यः पर्वतेभ्यः क्षयौ एभ्यः सुवसि पस्त्वावतः ।
 यथायथा पतयन्तो विधेमिर एवैव तस्थुः सवितः सवायं ते ॥५॥
 ये ते त्रिरहन्तसवितः सवासो द्विवेदिवे सौभंगमासुवन्ति ।
 इन्द्रो यावापृथिवी सिन्धुरद्विरादित्यैर्नो अदितिः शर्म यंसत् ॥६॥

indrajyeshthān bṛihadbhyah pārvate-
 bhyah kshayāñ ebhyah suvasi pastyāvataḥ | yāthā-yathā
 patāyanto viyemirā evaivā tasthuḥ savitaḥ savāya te || 5 ||
 yé te trīr āhan savitaḥ savāso divé-dive saubhagam āsu-
 vānti | indro dyāvāprithivī sīndhur adbhīr ādityaīr no ādi-
 tiḥ śarīna yaṁsat || 6 ||

O creator, you grant the best gift of immortality to the enlightened and dedicated men of the first category. To the liberal givers, you open the portals of light and to the common men, you award the continuous cycle of existence. 2

If O creator, through ignorance, infirmities or omissions on our part, we have committed offence against your divine laws, or against learned elites or common men, may you on this occasion absolve us from the guilt and be compassionate. 3

None can ever obstruct the acts of the divine creator, He sustains the whole world, and the print (the divine art) of His finger is widely visible over the extent of earth ; and the magnitude of the heaven verily is the truth, that is His. 4

You raise your worshippers to the highest level, just as the sun is elevated above the vast clouds. For them you provide dwelling places, filled with habitations. And the more they rise in their levels, the more you are retained in their hearts, and the more they are in possession of your love, the more they obey your command. 5

O creator, may the sun, the heaven and earth, the ocean full of waters, and infinity (time and space) and its divisions, be the cause of happiness for such worshippers, as offer prayers and devotional homages to you day by day, thrice a day. 6

(५५) पञ्चपञ्चानां सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशार्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । विधे देवा देवताः । (१-७) प्रथमादि-
सप्तर्चा विष्टुप्, (८-१०) अष्टम्यादितृत्वस्य च गायत्री छन्दसी ॥

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को वस्त्राता वसवः को वरुता द्यावाभूमी अदिते त्रासीधां नः ।
 सहीयसो वरुण मित्र मर्तात्को वोऽध्वरे वरिवो धाति देवाः ॥१॥
 प्र ये धामानि पुर्याण्यर्चान्वि यदुच्छान्वियोतारो अमूराः ।
 विधातारो वि ते दधुरजस्त्रा ऋतधीतयो रुचन्त दुस्माः ॥२॥
 प्र पुस्त्यामर्दिति सिन्धुमर्केः स्वस्तिमीळे सख्याय देवीम् ।
 उभे यथा नो अहनी निपात उषासानक्ता करतामदब्धे ॥३॥

55.

Kó vas trātá vasavaḥ kó varūtá dyāvābhūmī adite trā-
 sīthām naḥ | sāhiyaso varuna mitra mártāt kó vo 'dhvaré
 várivo dhāti devāḥ || 1 || prā yé dhāmāni pūrvyāṇy ārcān ví
 yád uchśān viyotāro amūrah | vidhātāro ví té dadhur ájasrā
 rītādhitayo rurucanta dasmāḥ || 2 || prā pastyām áditim sín-
 dhum arkañ svastīm ile sakhyāya devīm | ubhé yāthā no
 áhanī nīpāta ushāsānāktā karatām ádabdhe || 3 ||

व्ययमा वरुणश्चेति पन्थामिपस्पतिः सुवितं गातुमग्निः ।
 इन्द्राविष्णू नृवदु पु स्तवाना शर्म नो यन्तममवद्वरुधम् ॥४॥
 आ पर्वतस्य मरुतामवांसि देवस्य त्रातुरग्नि भगस्य ।
 पात्यतिर्जन्यादहंसो नो मित्रो मित्रियादुत न उरुष्येत ॥५॥

vy āryamā

vāruṇaḥ ceti pānthām ishás pātiḥ suvitām gātum agniḥ |
 indrāvishṇū nṛivād u shú stāvānā śarma no yantam āma-
 vad vārūtham || 4 || ā párvatasya marūtām āvānsi devāsya
 trātūr avri bhāgasya | pāt pátir jānyād ānhaso no mitró
 mitriyād utā na urushyet || 5 ||

Who, of you, O providers of riches, is our saviour? Who is our protector? O heaven and earth, and eternity, may you preserve us. O sun and ocean, may you protect us from the strong foe. O divines, among you, who confers rewards for our sacred deeds? 1

The divine powers grant rewards of previous lives, dispel darkness, distinguish virtue from vice, and are infallible. They are eternal distributors of rewards, granters of what is desired, the upholders of eternal truths and they shine brilliantly. 2

I implore Nature's bounties, such as mother-infinity, and the ocean, and the divine source of bliss for friendship. I praise you, both day and night, that you may protect us unimpeded. O night and morning, may you fulfil our wishes. 3

O ordainer and most virtuous, guide us along the path of worship. May the illustrious leader, the Lord of food, show us the way to happiness. O resplendent and protector, being glorified, bestow upon us aspired prosperity comprehending descendants and household comforts. 4

I have recourse to the protection of mountains, the cloud-bearing winds, and Nature's splendour. May the oceans preserve us from human wretchedness, and may the sun save us with a friendly regard. 5

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नू रोदसी अहिना बुध्न्येन स्तुवीत देवी अप्येभिरिष्टैः ।
 समुद्रं न संचरणे सनिष्यवो घर्मस्वरसो तृयोऽपं व्रन् ॥६॥
 देवेर्नो देव्यदितिर्नि पातु देवत्वाता त्रायतामप्रयुच्छन् ।
 नहि मित्रस्य वरुणस्य धासिमहीमसि प्रमियं सान्वग्नेः ॥७॥
 अग्निरीशे वसुव्यस्याभिर्महः सौमगस्य । तान्यस्मभ्यं रासते ॥८॥
 उषो मघोन्या वहु सृते वार्या पुरु । अस्मभ्यं वाजिनीवति ॥९॥
 तत्सु नः सविता भगो वरुणो मित्रो अर्यमा । इन्द्रो नो राघसा गमत् ॥१०॥

nū rodasī áhinā budhnyēna stuvitā devī ápyebhir
 ishṭaiḥ | samudrām ná sañcārane sanishyávo għarmásva-
 raso nadyò ápa vran || 6 || devaír no devy áditir ní pátu
 devás trātā trāyatām áprayuehan | nahí mitrásya várūṇa-
 sya dhāsím árhāmasi pramiyam sánv agnēḥ || 7 || agnír īṣe
 vasavyāsyāgnír maháḥ saúbhagasya | tány asmábhyam rā-
 sate || 8 || úsho maghony á vaha sūnṛite vāryā purú | asmá-
 bhyam vājinivati || 9 || tát sú naḥ savitā bhāgo várūṇo mi-
 tró ariyamā | indro no rádhasā gamat || 10 ||

(५६) ऋष्यभाषा सूक्तम्

(१-७) सप्तर्वस्यास्य सूक्तस्य गौतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । द्यावापृथिवी देवते । (१-४) प्रथमादिचतुर्दशं
 विष्टुप्, (५-७) पञ्चम्यादिद्वयस्य च गायत्री छन्दसी ॥

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मही द्यावापृथिवी इह ज्येष्ठे रुचा भवतां शुचयद्विरर्केः ।
 यत्सो वरिष्ठे बृहती विमिन्वन्नवक्षोऽपत्रथानेभिरेवैः ॥१॥
 देवी देवेभिर्वजते यजत्रैरभिनती तस्यतुल्यमाणे ।
 ऋतावरी अद्रुहा देवपुत्रे युज्ञस्य नेत्री शुचयद्विरर्केः ॥२॥

56.

Mahí dyāvāprithivī ihā jyéshṭhe rucā bhavatām śucā-
 yadbhir arkaiḥ | yāt sīm vāriṣṭhe bṛihatī viminvān ruvād
 dhokshā paprathānébhir évaiḥ || 1 || devī devébhir yajaté
 yājatrair áminatī tasthatur ukshāmāṇe | ṛitāvarī adruhā de-
 vāputre yajñásya netrí śucáyadbhir arkaiḥ || 2 ||

O divine heaven and earth, I praise you, together with clouds and lightning, for those things that are desired. Desirous of acquiring riches, I praise the ocean, in which the boiling cauldron-like sounding rivers whilst traversing disappear. 6

May the divine eternity, with the divine powers, preserve us; may the saviour Lord protect us with unceasing care. We dare not withhold the lofty powers of Nature's bounties like the sun, ocean, and fire. 7

The fire-divine is sovereign lord of treasures. He is the lord of prosperity. May he bestow these gifts on us. 8

O opulent dawn, the inspirer of aesthatic truths, food-abounding, bestow upon us ample riches. 9

May Lord, the creator, gracious, most virtuous, friendly law-abiding, and resplendent come to us, and grant prosperity. 10

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May the vast and most excellent heaven and earth, honoured by sacred hymns, become the field of dedicated work and worship. In the space between the two mighty regions, the rapid winds, loudly roaring, as if bearing the divine messages of Lord, are fast-moving. 1

May the divine, adorable, benevolent, fertilizing, truthful, unoppressive heaven and earth, the leaders of cosmic sacrifice, whose children are Nature's bounties, become the place of work and worship and associated with other adorable powers be honoured by our brilliant compositions. 2

स इत्स्वपा सुर्वनेष्वास य इमे यावापृथिवी जजान ।
 उर्वी गभीरे रजसी सुमेके अवंशे धीरः शच्या समैरत् ॥३॥
 नू रोदसी बृहद्भिर्नो वरुथैः पत्नीवद्भिरिषयन्ती सजोषाः ।
 उरुची विश्वे यजते नि पातं धिया स्याम रथ्यः सदासाः ॥४॥

sá it svápā
 bhūvaneshv āsa yá imé dyāvāprithivī jajāna | urvī gabhīrē
 rájasī suméke avanśe dhīrah śacyā sām airat || 3 || nū ro-
 dasī bṛihádbhīr no várūthaiḥ pātnīvadbhīr isháyantī sajó-
 shāḥ | urūcí viśve yajaté ní pātaṁ dhiyā syāma rathyāḥ
 sadāsāḥ || 4 ||

प्र वां महि यवी अभ्युपस्तुतिं भरामहे । शुची उप प्रशस्तये ॥५॥
 पुनाने तन्वा मिथः स्वेन दक्षेण राजथः । ऊह्याथे सनादृतम् ॥६॥
 मही मित्रस्य साधथस्तरन्ती पिप्रती कृतम् । परि यज्ञं नि षेदयुः ॥७॥

prā vām máhi dyāví abhy úpastutim bharā-
 mahe | śúcī úpa prāśastaye || 5 || punāné tanvā mithāḥ
 svéna dākshēṇa rājathah | ūhyáthe sanád ṛitām || 6 || mahī
 mitráśya sādhatas tāranti píprati ṛitām | pári yajñāṁ ní
 shedathuh || 7 ||

(५७) सप्तपद्यानां मूलम्

(१-८) भट्टचेम्यास्य मूलस्य गीतमो वामदेव ऋषिः । (१-३) प्रथमादितृचम्य क्षेत्रपतिः । (४) चतुर्थ्यां ऋषः शुनः ।

(५, ८) पञ्चम्यष्टम्योः शुनासीरो, (६-७) षष्ठीसप्तम्योश्च सीता देवताः । (१, ४, ६-७) प्रथमा-

चतुर्थीषष्ठीसप्तमीनाष्टचामनुष्टुप्, (२-३, ८) द्वितीयातृतीयाष्टमीनां त्रिष्टुप्,

(५) पञ्चम्याश्च पुर उज्जिह्वं कण्ठांसि ॥

॥१॥ क्षेत्रस्य पतिना वयं हितेनेव जयामसि । गामश्च पोषयित्वा स नो मृळातीदृशे ॥१॥

Kshétrasya pátinā vayám hiténeva jayāmasi | gām
 āśvam poshayitnv ā sá no mṛilātidrīṣe || 1 ||

Verily He, the supreme Lord, is the master accomplisher of good work in two regions, heaven and earth, generated by him in interspace, and He with His determined purposefulness and austeric action gives an impulse to the two spacious and deep well-fashioned realms, which remain firm, apparently unsupported. 3

May heaven and earth, vast, equally respected by all, universally adorable provide us food and grant us spacious apartments, inhabited by house ladies. And may we for the performance of our noble duties be possessed of chariots and helping hands. 4

We offer earnest praise to both of you, O resplendent heaven and earth. We approach you to offer adoration with pure heart. 5

You physically sanctify each other, and shine by your own power and thus you function according to eternal laws. 6

O mighty heaven and earth, you fulfil the aspirations of your friends; distributing food and giving sustenance; may your blessing be always with us in our dedicated task. 7

May we be victorious, with the aid of the master of agricultural field, our well-wisher. May he bestow upon us cattle, horses, and nourishment, and by such gifts may he make us happy. 1

क्षेत्रस्य पते मधुमन्तमूर्मि धेनुरिव पयो अस्मासु धुक्व ।
 मधुश्चुते घृतमिव सुपृतमृतस्य नः पतयो मृळयन्तु ॥२॥
 मधुमतीगेपधीर्याव आपो मधुमन्नो भवत्वन्तरिक्षम् ।
 क्षेत्रस्य पतिर्मधुमन्नो अस्त्वरिष्यन्तो अन्वेनं चरेम ॥३॥

kshétrasya pa
 mādhumantam ūrmīm dhenúr iva páyo asmásu dhukshva
 madhuseútam ghṛitám iva súpūtam rítasya naḥ pátay
 mṛilayantu || 2 || mādhumatīr óshadhīr dyáva ápo mādhu
 man no bhavativ antáriksham | kshétrasya pátir mādhumā
 no astv árishyanto ánv enaṁ carema || 3 ||

शुनं वाहाः शुनं नरः शुनं कृषतु लाङ्गलम् ।
 शुनं वरत्रा बध्यन्तां शुनमष्टमुदिङ्गय ॥४॥
 शुनासीराविमां वाचं जुपेथां यद्विवि चक्रथुः पयः ।
 तेनेमामुप सिञ्चतम् ॥५॥
 अर्वाची सुभगे भव सीते वन्दीमहे त्वा ।
 यथा नः सुभगासंसि यथा नः सुफलासंसि ॥६॥
 इन्द्रः सीतां नि गृह्णातु तां पुषानु यच्छतु ।
 सा नः पयस्वती दुहामुत्तरामुत्तरां समाम् ॥७॥

शुनं नः फाला वि कृषन्तु भूमिं शुनं कीनाशा अभि यन्तु वाहैः ।
 शुनं पर्जन्यो मधुना पयोभिः शुनासीरा शुनमस्मासु धत्तम् ॥८॥

ṣunām vāhā
 ṣunām nāraḥ ṣunām kṛishatu lāṅgalam | ṣunām varatrā b
 dhyantām ṣunām āsṭrām úd iṅgaya || 4 || ṣunāsīrāv imā
 vācam jushethām yād divi cakrāthuh pāyah | tēnemām ū
 siñcatam || 5 || arvācī subhage bhava sīte vāndāmahe tvā
 yāthā naḥ subhāgāsasi yāthā naḥ suphālāsasi || 6 || indra
 sītām ní gṛiṇhātu tāṁ pūshānu yachatu | sá naḥ pāyasva
 duhām úttarām-uttarām sāmām || 7 || ṣunām naḥ phālā
 kṛishantu bhūmīm ṣunām kināśā abhī yantu vāhāiḥ | ṣ
 nām parjānyo mādhumā pāyobhiḥ ṣunāsīrā ṣunām asmā
 dhattam || 8 ||

O landlord, bestow upon us sweet abundant water, as the milch-cow yields her milk, sweet as the drops of honey and pure as butter, and may the lords of water (irrigation chief) make us happy. 2

May the herbs of the field be sweet for us ; may the heavens, the waters, the firmament be kind to us ; may the landlord be gracious to us. May we be able to obey his inspiration without obstruction. 3

May the oxen draw happily ; may the men labour happily ; may the plough furrow happily ; may the traces bind happily ; and may we wield the good happily. 4

O landlords and farmers, may you be pleased by our request, and consequently, may you irrigate land with water, which has origin in the clouds of heaven. 5

O charming furrow (deeply drawn by the plough), may you be well drawn. We glorify you, so that you may be propitious to us, and yield abundant food. 6

May the sun be gracious to the ploughed furrow ; may nourishing rain guide her. May, she, the furrow, well-stored with water, yield food, year after year. 7

May the ploughshares break up our land happily ; may the ploughman go happily with the oxen ; may the clouds water the earth with sweet showers happily. May the landlords and farmers grant prosperity to us. 8

(५८) अथर्ववेदां सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्षत्वात् सूक्तस्य गीतभो वामदेव कविः । अग्निः सूर्यो वाऽऽपो वा
गावो वा घृतं वा देवता । (१-१०) प्रथमादिदशर्षां त्रिषुप्,

(११) एकादशर्षाद्य अगती छन्दसी ॥

॥१०॥ समुद्रादुर्मिर्मधुमाँ उदारदुपांशुना सममृतत्वमानद् ।
घृतस्य नाम गुह्यं यदस्ति जिह्वा देवानाममृतस्य नाभिः ॥१॥
वयं नाम प्र ब्रवामा घृतस्यास्मिन्पुञ्जे धारयामा नमोभिः ।
उप ब्रह्मा शृण्वच्छत्यमानं चतुःशृङ्गोऽवमीद्वीर एतत् ॥२॥
चत्वारि शृङ्गा त्रयो अस्य पादा द्वे शीर्षे सप्त हस्तासो अस्य ।
त्रिधा बद्धो वृषभो रोरवीति महो देवो मर्त्या आ विवेश ॥३॥

58.

Samudrād ūrmīr mādhumāṁśu ūd arad ūpāṁśunā sām
amṛitatvām ānat | ghṛitāsya nāma gūhyam yad āsti jihvā
devānām amṛitasya nābhiḥ || 1 || vayam nāma prā bravāmā
ghṛitāsyāsmīn yajñe dhārayāmā nāmobhiḥ | ūpa brahmā
ṣṛṇavac chasyāmānam cātuṣṛiṅgo 'vamīd gaurā etāt || 2 ||
catvāri ṣṛiṅgā trāyo asya pādā dvē śirśhé saptā hāstāso
asya | tridhā baddhó vṛishabhó roraviti mahó devó mār-
tyāñ ā viveṣa || 3 ||

त्रिधा हितं पुणिभिर्गुह्यमानं गवि देवासो घृतमन्वविन्दन् ।
इन्द्र एकं सूर्य एकं जजान वेनादेकं स्वधया निष्टतक्षुः ॥४॥
एता अर्पन्ति हव्यात्समुद्राच्छतब्रजा रिपुणा नावचक्षे ।
घृतस्य धारा अभि चाकशीमि हिरण्ययो वेतसो मध्य आताम ॥५॥

tridhā hitam paṇibhir guhyāmānam gāvi
devāso ghṛitām anv avindan | indra ekam sūrya ekam ja-
jāna venād ekam svadhāyā nish tatakshuḥ || 4 || etā arshanti
hṛidyāt samudrāc chatāvrajā ripūṇā nāvachākshe | ghṛitāsya
dhārā abhi cākāśimi hiraṇyāyo vetaso mādhyā āsām
|| 5 ||

The waves of sweet water spring forth from the ocean ; by the solar rays, the water is carried to celestial region. That which is the secret name of *mystic butter* is the tongue of Nature and the navel of ambrosia. 1

We celebrate the name of this *mystic butter* at our worship ; we offer it with adoration. May the supreme preceptor, the knower of the four-horned Vedas, the Divine Word, listen to this adoration. 2

Four are his horns, three are his feet, his heads are two, his hands are seven ; this triple-bound showerer of benefits roars aloud. That mighty divine is enshrined in the hearts of all mortals. 3

The enlightened one discover the *mystic butter*, concealed by rivals in threefold forms, as if in the mystic cow. The resplendent self generates one portion out of it, radiant mental faculty sets free the second one and the vital breathing system fabricates out the third one, each with his own genius. 4

In countless channels these showers flow down from the heart of celestial interspace, unrestricted by the dark clouds. I look upon these showers of mystic spiritual rays descending, and behold the mystic golden reed in the mid of them. 5

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सम्यक्त्वेवन्ति सरितो न धेना अन्तर्हृदा मनसा पूयमानाः ।
 एते अर्पन्त्युर्मयो घृतस्य मृगा इव क्षिपुणोरीषमाणाः ॥६॥
 सिन्धोरिव प्राध्वने शूघनासो वातप्रमियः पतयन्ति यद्वाः ।
 घृतस्य धारा अरुषो न वाजी काष्ठा भिन्दद्गुर्मिभिः पिन्वमानः ॥७॥
 अभि प्रवन्तु समनेव योषाः कल्याण्यः स्मयमानासो अग्निम् ।
 घृतस्य धाराः समिधौ नसन्त ता जुषाणो हर्यति जातवेदाः ॥८॥

samyák sravanti sarīto ná dhénā antár hṛidā mánasā
 pūyāmānāḥ | eté arshanty ūrmāyo ghṛitāsya mṛigā iva kshi-
 paṇór īshamāṇāḥ || 6 || sīndhor iva prādhvané śūghanāso
 vātapramiyāḥ patayanti yahvāḥ | ghṛitāsya dhārā arushó
 ná vājī kāshṭhā bhindān ūrmībhiḥ pīnvamānāḥ || 7 || abhī
 pravanta sāmāneva yóshāḥ kalyāṇyāḥ smāyamānāso agnīm |
 ghṛitāsya dhārāḥ samīdho nasanta tā jushāṇo haryati jātā-
 vedāḥ || 8 ||

कन्या इव बहुतमेतवा उ अञ्ज्यञ्जाना अभि चाकशीमि ।
 यत्र सोमः सुयते यत्र यज्ञो घृतस्य धारा अभि तत्पवन्ते ॥९॥
 अभ्यर्षत सुष्टुतिं गव्यमाजिमस्सालु भद्रा द्रविणानि धत्त ।
 इमं यज्ञं नयत देवता नो घृतस्य धारा मधुमत्पवन्ते ॥१०॥
 धामन्ते विश्वं भुवनमधि श्रितमन्तः समुद्रे ह्यन्तरायुषि ।
 अपामनीके समिधे य आभृतस्तमश्याम मधुमन्तं त ऊर्मिम् ॥११॥

kanyā iva vahatūm étavā u añjy añjānā abhī
 cākaṣīmi | yatra sōmaḥ sūyāte yātra yajñō ghṛitāsya dhārā
 abhī tāt pavante || 9 || abhy ārshata susṭtutīm gāvyaṁ ājīm
 asmāsu bhadrá drāviṇāni dhatta | imāṁ yajñāṁ nayata de-
 vātā no ghṛitāsya dhārā mādhumat pavante || 10 || dhāman
 te víśvam bhūvanam ādhi śritām antāḥ samudré hṛidy
 antár āyushi | apām ānike samithé yā ābhṛitas tām aśyama
 mādhumantaṁ ta ūrmīm || 11 ||

The flow uninterruptedly like pleasing rivers, purified by the mind, seated in the heart; these streams of *mystic butter* descend upon the fire, like wild beasts that fly from the hunter. 6

The streams of this *mystic butter*, swifter than the wind, and rapid as the waters of a river, flow down a declivity. Bursting through the fences, and hurrying on with their waves, they flow-down like high-spirited steed. 7

The streams of this *mystic butter*, incline to spiritual fire, as devoted wives loving and smiling to husbands. They feed the flame of mystic fire like fuel, and the omniscient Lord joyfully receives them. 8

I contemplate these streams of *mystic butter*, as they flow from where the exhilarating experiences come forth, and where the noble works are solemnized. They flow as a bride, decorating herself with ornaments, whilst going to the bridegroom. 9

May the priests address sacred prayers in the well-known divine language. May they bestow upon us auspicious riches. May they convey our worship to the divine powers, whereat the streams of *mystic butter* descend with sweetness. 10

O adorable Lord, the whole world finds an asylum in your effulgence, whether it be in the interspace, in the emotional heart, in the vital breath, in ocean, in army or warfare. May we receive those sweetly flavoured waves of bliss which proceed from you and end in you. 11

ऋग्वेद संहिता

पञ्चम मण्डलम्

(१) प्रथमं सूक्तम्

(१-१२) द्वादशर्षेभ्यः सूक्तस्यावेवै बुधगविष्टिराहुषी । अग्निर्देवता । विष्णुर्छन्दः ॥

॥ विश्वेश्वराय नमः ॐ ॥

॥१२॥ अबोध्याग्निः समिधा जनानां प्रति धेनुमिवायतीमुषासम् ।
यक्ता इव प्र वयामुज्जिहानाः प्र भानवः सिस्त्रते नाकमच्छ ॥१॥
अबोधि होता यजथाय देवानूर्ध्वो अग्निः सुमनाः प्रातरस्थात् ।
समिद्धस्य रुशददशि पाजो महान्देवस्तमसो निरमोचि ॥२॥

1

Ábodhy agníḥ samídhā jánānām prāti dhenúm ivāya-
tim ushásam | yahvā iva prá vayām ujjiḥānāḥ prá bhānā-
vaḥ sisrate nākam ácha || 1 || ábodhi hótā yajáthāya devān
ūrdhvó agníḥ sumánāḥ prātár asthāt | sámiddhasya rūṣad
adarsī pājo mahān devás támaso nír amoci || 2 ||

ṚGVEDA SAMHITĀ

BOOK FIVE

1

At the approach of dawns, who come like cows, the sacred fire is kindled by fuel offered by men. Its radiant mighty flames rise up like stately trees throwing aloft their branches towards heaven. 1

The cosmic fire, the bestower of blessings is awakened to invoke cosmic forces. Every morning the gracious fire, the sun, rises up. When kindled, his brilliant vigour is manifested, and the great enlightened one is released from the darkness. 2

यदीं गणस्य रक्षानामजीगः शुचिरङ्गे शुचिभिर्गाभिरग्निः ।
 आदक्षिणा युज्यते वाजयन्त्युत्तानामूर्ध्वो अंघयजुर्हभिः ॥३॥
 अग्निमच्छा देवयतां मनींसि चक्षूषीव सूर्यं सं चरन्ति ।
 यदीं सुवति उपसा विरूपे श्वेतो वाजी जायते अग्रे अह्नाम् ॥४॥
 जनिष्ट हि जेन्यो अग्रे अह्नां हितो हितेष्वरूपो वनेषु ।
 दमेदमे सप्त रत्ना दधानोऽग्निर्होता नि वसादा यजीयाव ॥५॥
 अग्निर्होता न्यसीदयजीयानुपस्थं मातुः सुरभा उं लोके ।
 युवां कविः पुरुनिष्ठ क्रतावा धर्ता कृष्टिनामुत मध्य इद्धः ॥६॥

yád im

gaṇásya raṣanām ajīgaḥ śúcir aṅkte śúcibhir góbhīr agnīḥ |
 ād dákshinā yujyate vājayānty uttānām ūrdhvó adhayaj
 juhūbhiḥ || 3 || agnīm áchā devayatām mánānsi cákshūnshiva
 sūrye sām caranti | yád im súvāte ushásā vírūpe śvetó
 vājí jāyate ágre áhnām || 4 || jánishṭa hí jényo ágre áhnām
 hitó hitéshv arushó vāneshu | dāme-dame saptá rātnā dā-
 dhāno 'gnír hótā ní shasādā yājiyān || 5 || agnír hótā ny
 āsidad yājiyān upāsthe mātúḥ surabhā u loké | yúvā kavīḥ
 purunishṭhā řitāvā dhartā kṛishṭīnām utá mādhyā iddhāḥ
 || 6 ||

॥३॥ प्र णु त्वं विप्रमध्वरेषु साधुमग्निं होतांरमीळते नमोभिः ।
 आ यस्तुतान रोदसी क्रतेन नित्यं मृजन्ति वाजिनं धृतेन ॥७॥
 मार्जाल्यो मृज्यते स्वे दमूनाः कविप्रशस्तो अतिथिः शिवो नः ।
 सहस्रशृङ्गो वृषभस्तदोजा विश्वं अग्रे सहसा प्रास्यन्यान् ॥८॥

prā nú tyām vípram adhvaréshu sādhum agnīm hótā-
 ram ilate námobhiḥ | á yás tatāna ródasi řiténa nityam
 mṛijanti vājinam ghṛiténa || 7 || mārjālyò mṛijyate své dā-
 mūnāḥ kaviprasastó átithiḥ śivó naḥ | sahásrasṛīṅgo vṛi-
 shabhás tádojā vísvāñ agne sáhasā prasy anyān || 8 ||

The radiant universal fire makes all manifest with his brilliant rays, when he seizes upon the confining girdle of the entire world. Thereupon the precious strength-giving oblation is offered to the flames, that spread out, and roaring aloft, consume it as if with tongue. 3

The spirits of the pious turn together to the fire-divine, as the eyes of men towards the Sun. When the multiform heaven and earth bring him forth along with dawn, he is born at the day break, as a strong white courser. 4

The noble one is kindled at day's beginning and deposited red in colour amid well-laid wood. And so the adorable fire, the invoker, is established in every house, displaying his seven gems-like flames. 5

The adorable fire divine, the invoker, is established in a fragrant place in the bosom of his mother earth. He is ever young, wise follower of eternal truth, pre-eminent over all, and kindled among people, whom he sustains. 6

On sacred ceremonial occasions all glorify that divine fire with hymns of reverence who is holy, intelligent, and the bestower of food and who spreads out both worlds by eternal law and charges them with rain. 7

Entitled to worship, he is worshipped in his own abode. He is humble-minded, eminent amongst sages, our auspicious guest, the thousand rayed, the showerer of benefits, of well known might, may you O fire divine, surpass all others in strength. 8

प्र सुयो अग्ने अत्येष्यन्त्यानाविर्यस्मै चारुतमो बभूथ ।
 इल्लेन्यो वपुष्यो विभावा त्रियो विशामतिथिर्मानुषीणाम् ॥९॥
 तुभ्यं भरन्ति क्षितयो यविष्ठ बलिमग्ने अन्तित ओत दुरात् ।
 आ भन्दिष्ठस्य सुमतिं चिकिद्धि बृहत्ते अग्ने महि शर्म भद्रम् ॥१०॥
 आद्य रथं भानुमो भानुमन्तमग्ने तिष्ठ यजतेभिः समन्तम् ।
 विद्वान्यथीनामुर्वन्तरिक्षमेह देवान्हविरद्याय वक्षि ॥११॥
 अवोचाम कवये मेध्याय वचो वन्दारं वृषभाय वृष्णे ।
 गविष्ठिरो नमसा स्तोममग्ने दिवीव रुक्ममुकृत्यश्मश्रेत् ॥१२॥

prā

sadyó agne áty eshy anyān āvir yāsmāi cārutamo babhū-
 tha | ilēnyo vapushyò vibhāvā priyó viśām átithir mānu-
 shīṇām || 9 || túbhyam bharanti kshitáyo yavishṭha balim
 agne ántita ótá dūrát | ā bhándishṭhasya sumatīm cikiddhi
 bṛihát te agne máhi śarma bhadram || 10 || ádyá rátham
 bhānumo bhānumántam agne tishṭha yajatébhiḥ sámantam |
 vidván pathínām urv antáriksham éhá devān havirádyāya
 vakshi || 11 || ávocāma kaváye médhyāya vāco vandāru vṛi-
 shabhāya vṛishṇe | gávisht̥hiro námasā stómam agnaú di-
 víva rukmām uruvyāñcam aṣret || 12 ||

(२) द्वितीयं सूक्तम्

(१-१२) द्वादशर्चन्यान्व सूक्तस्य (१. ३-८, १०-१२) प्रथमर्चनद्वितीयादिवर्णां दशम्यादिवृषस्य चामेघः

कुमारो जानो वृषो वा, उर्मो वा, (२. ९) द्वितीयानवम्योश्च जानो वृष क्रविः । अग्निर्वेष्टता ।

(१-११) प्रथमायेकादशर्चां त्रिपुष्, (१२) द्वादशयाश्च शक्रो छन्दसी ॥

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कुमारं माता युवतिः समुब्धं गुहा बिभर्ति न ददाति पित्रे ।
 अनीकमस्य न मिनज्जनासः पुरः पश्यन्ति निहितमरुतौ ॥१॥

2.

Kumārām mātā yuvatīḥ sāmubdham gūhā bibharti nā
 dadāti pitre | ānikam aśyā nā mināj jānāśaḥ purāḥ paśyanti
 nīhitam aratau || 1 ||

O divine fire, you quickly pass over all others, for him, to whom you appear most lovely. You are wonderously fair, adorable, effulgent, the guest of men, and loved by all people. 9

To you, O most youthful Lord, men bring their tributes from near and far. May you accept the prayer of him, who extols you most; for, the felicity, which you confer, O divine fire, is great, vast and auspicious. 10

Ascend today, radiant divine fire, on your resplendent, well-conducted chariot, together with the adorable Nature's forces. May you, knowing the paths across spacious firmament, bring hither divine forces to enjoy and share in our offerings. 11

To him the wise, the adorable, strong, and the showerer of benefits, we sing forth our song of praise, and present homage. Steady and disciplined sages offer with reverence this praise to the fire divine, like the gold-like shining sun, raised high to the sky. 12

2

The young mother cherishes her mutilated boy in secret, and gives him not up to the father (worshipper) ; but when he gets up the people see his unfading countenance before them. (Young mother is the lower piece of wood, and the boy is latent fire). 1

कमेतं त्वं युवते कुमारं पेषीं बिभर्षि महिषी जजान ।
 पूर्वीहि गर्भः शरदो ववर्धापश्यं जातं यदसूत माता ॥२॥
 हिरण्यदन्तं शुचिवर्णमात्रात्क्षेत्रादपश्यमायुधा मिमानम् ।
 ददानो अस्मा अमृतं विपृक्त्किं मामनिन्द्राः कृणवन्ननुकथाः ॥३॥
 क्षेत्रादपश्यं सनुतश्चरन्तं सुमद्युथं न पुरु शोभमानम् ।
 न ता अगृभ्रन्नजनिष्ट हि षः पलिकीरियुवतयो भवन्ति ॥४॥

kām etaṁ tvāṁ yuvate kumārāṁ pé-
 shī bibharshi máhishī jajāna | pūrvīr hí gárbhaḥ śarādo va-
 vārdhāpaśyaṁ jātāṁ yád ásūta mātá || 2 || hiraṇyadantaṁ
 śúcivarnaṁ ārāt kshétrād apaśyaṁ áyudhā mímānam | da-
 dānó asmā amṛitaṁ vipṛikvat kíṁ mām anindrāḥ kṛiṇavann
 anukthāḥ || 3 || kshétrād apaśyaṁ sanutáḥ cāraṇtaṁ sumád
 yūthāṁ ná puri śóbbhamānam | ná tá agṛibhrann ájanishta
 hí shāḥ páliknīr íd yuvatáyo bhavanti || 4 ||

के मे मर्यकं वि यवन्त गोभिर्न येषां गोपा अरणश्चिदास ।
 य ई जगृभ्रुव ते सृजन्त्वाजति पृश्न उपे नश्चिक्त्वान् ॥५॥
 वृमां राजानं वसति जनानामरातयो नि दधुर्मत्येषु ।
 ब्रह्माप्यत्रेव तं सृजन्तु निन्दितारो निन्द्यासो भवन्तु ॥६॥

ké me marya-
 kām ví yavanta góbbhir ná yéshām gopá aranaḥ cid ása
 yá iṁ jagṛibhúr áva té sṛijantv ájāti paśvá úpa naḥ ciki-
 tvān || 5 || vasāṁ rájanam vasatim jánānām árātayo ní da-
 dhur mártyeshu | bráhmāny átrer áva táṁ sṛijantu nindi-
 táro níndyāso bhavantu || 6 ||

O youthful one, what boy is this whom you carry? The mighty queen has given him birth. The unborn has grown through many autumns. I see him born as the mother bears him. 2

I see him from a close distance, the golden-toothed, bright-coloured, hurling his weapons from his own place. At what time, shall I offer to him unadulterated ambrosia. How can now the Godless and hymnless people harm me? 3

I see him (the fire) passing secretly from place to place, like a herd of cattle, and shining brightly of his own accord. The people do not arrest his growth, but again he has been born, and now the flames which had become grey-haired are once more young. 4

Who disunited my people from cattle? Is there not for them an invincible protector? May they free them, whosoever of having seized them upon. May he, the observant bring back the herd to us. 5

Enemies have secretly kidnapped this sovereign king of people, the refuge of men. May the prayers of the fearless sage set him free. May those who revile be reviled. 6

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शुनन्निच्छेपं निदितं सहस्रायूपदमुषो अशमिष्ट हि षः ।
 एवास्मदमे वि मुमुग्धि पाशान्होतृभित्ति इह तू निषद्य ॥७॥
 हृणीयमानो अप हि मदेयेः प्र मे देवानां व्रतपा उवाच ।
 इन्द्रो विद्वान् अनु हि त्वा चुचक्ष तेनाहममे अनुशिष्ट आगाम् ॥८॥
 वि ज्योतिषा बृहता भात्यभिराविर्विश्वानि कृणुते महित्वा ।
 प्रादेवीर्मायाः संहते दुरेवाः शिशीति शृष्टे रक्षसे विनिक्षे ॥९॥
 उत स्वानासो दिवि पन्त्यमेस्तिग्मायुधा रक्षसे हन्तवा उ ।
 मदे चिदस्य प्र रुजन्ति भामा न वरन्ते परिवाधो अदेवीः ॥१०॥

śūnaṣ eic chēpaṁ nīditaṁ sahasrād yūpād amuñco āsa-
 miṣṭa hī śhāh | evāsmād agne vi mumugdhi pāsān hōtaṣ
 cikitva ihā tū nishādya || 7 || hr̥ṇīyāmāṇo āpa hī mād aīyeh
 prā me devānām vratapā uvāca | indro vidvāñ ānu hī tvā
 cacāksha tēnāhām agne ānuśiṣṭa āgām || 8 || vī jyōtishā
 bṛihatā bhāty agnīr āvīr-vīṣvāni kṛiṇte mahitvā | prāde-
 vīr māyāḥ saḥate durévāḥ śīśite śṛiṅge rākshase vinīkshe
 || 9 || utā svānāso divī śhantv agnēs tigmāyudhā rākshase
 hāntavā u | mādē cid asya prā rujanti bhāmā nā varante
 paribādho ādevīḥ || 10 ||

एतं ते स्तोमं तुविजात विप्रो रथं न धीरुः स्वपा अतक्षम् ।
 यदीदमे प्रति त्वं देव हर्षाः स्वर्वतीरप एना जयेम ॥११॥
 तुविग्नीवो वृषभो वावृधानोऽश्वत्थैर्यः समजाति वेदः ।
 इतीममग्निममृता अवोचन्वर्हिष्मन्ते मनवे शर्म यंसद्विष्मन्ते मनवे शर्म यंसत् ॥१२॥

etām te stōmam tuvijāta viprō rā-
 tham nā dhīraḥ svāpā ataksham | yādīd agne prāti tvām
 deva hāryāḥ svārvatīr apā enā jayema || 11 || tuviḡrīvo vṛi-
 shabhō vāvṛidhānō 'ṣatrv āryāḥ sām ajāti vēdaḥ | itīmām
 agnīm amṛitā avocan barhīśhmate mánave śārma yañsad
 dhavīśhmate mánave śārma yañsat || 12 ||

O adorable God, may you liberate the most wise sage bound with his worries, for thousands of actions, he prays with fervour. So, may you, O most intelligent and invoker Lord, listen to our prayer, and free us from all bonds that bind us. 7

O adorable Lord, you have gone away from me, as if in anger. The protector of truth, the resplendent self has told me this: "Follow Truth". Having been so advised, may I follow the instruction. 8

The glory of adorable God shines with great and varied radiance, and by His greatness, He makes all things Manifest. He overcomes godless malignant delusions and sharpens His measures for the destruction of the violent infidels. 9

May you roaring flames, O adorable Lord, be manifest in the sky as sharp weapons, to destroy infidels. In His exhilaration may His shining splendour inflict destruction. The godless hands try to bind him from all sides but do not succeed. 10

As a skilled craftsman makes a car, I, a devout worshipper, have composed this hymn for you, O mighty one. If, O divine adorable Lord, ever glorious, you approve of it, then may we obtain abundant heavenly bliss. 11

May He, the strong-necked, the showerer of benefits, ever increasing, mighty Lord, gather the riches of the evil-minded men, without opposition. The immortals have spoken thus to Lord, "Be pleased to bestow happiness on the man who is dedicated ; happiness to the man who is prosperous". 12

(३) द्वितीयं सूक्तम्

(१-१२) द्वादशर्चयस्य मृतस्याग्नेयो वसुभुत ऋषिः । (१-२. ५-१२) प्रथमाद्वितीययोर्ऋचो-
 धनुर्गर्गतिनवानाश्चाग्निः । (३) तृतीयायाश्च मरुद्गुह्येष्वाग्नेयो देवताः । (१) प्रथमर्चो विराट्,
 (२-१२) द्वितीयायांकादशानाञ्च विष्णु उन्मन्नी ॥

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त्वमग्ने वरुणो जायसे यत्त्वं मित्रो भवसि यत्समिद्धः ।
 त्वे विश्वे सहसम्पुत्र देवास्त्वमिन्द्रो दाशुषे मर्त्याय ॥१॥
 त्वमर्यमा भवसि यत्कुनीनां नाम स्वधावन्गुह्यं विभर्षि ।
 अजन्ति मित्रं सुधितं न गोभिर्यदम्पती समनसा कृणोषि ॥२॥
 तवं श्रिये मरुतो मर्जयन्त रुद्र यत्ते जनिम् चारु चित्रम् ।
 पदं यद्विष्णोरुपमं निधायि तेन पासि गुह्यं नाम गोनाम् ॥३॥
 तवं श्रिया सुदृशो देव देवाः पुरु दधाना अमृतं सपन्त ।
 होतारमग्निं मनुषो नि पेदुर्दशस्यन्त उशिजः शंसमाद्योः ॥४॥

3.

Tvám agne varuṇo jāyase yāt tvám mitrō bhavasi yāt sār
 iddhaḥ | tvé viṣve sahasas putra devās tvám indro dāśuṣi
 mārtyāya || 1 || tvám aryamā bhavasi yāt kanīnām nāma sv
 dhāvan gūhyam bibharshi | aṅjānti mitrām sūdhitaṁ ná g
 bhir yād dāmpatī sámanasā kṛiṇoṣhi || 2 || táva śriyē marū
 marjayanta rūdra yāt te jānima eāru citrām | padām yā
 viṣṇor upamām nidhāyi téna pāsi gūhyam nāma gōnā
 || 3 || táva śriyā sudṛiṣo deva devāḥ purū dādhanā amṛita
 sapanta | hótāram agnīm mānusho ní shedur daśasyān
 usījah śānsam āyóḥ || 4 ||

न त्वद्धोता पूर्वं अग्ने यजीयान्न काव्यैः परो अस्ति स्वधावः ।
 विश्वश्च यस्या अतिधिर्भवासि स यज्ञेन वनवहेव मतीन् ॥५॥

ná tvád dhótā pūrvo agne yāj
 yān ná kāvyaiḥ paró asti svadhāvaḥ | viśaś ca yāsyā át
 thir bhāvāsi sá yajñéna vanavad deva mártān || 5 ||

O adorable God, when your glory is revealed, you become venerable to all, and when enkindled, your glory shines like the Sun. In you, O source of strength, all the powers of Nature's forces are centred. You are like a bounteous king to men, who offer sincere devotion to you. 1

O self-sustained fire-divine, you bear mysterious name, you become upholder of law in relation to maidens. They anoint you, like a welcomed friend, with milk and butter, when you make husband and wife of one mind. 2

For your glory, the cloudbearing winds sweep the firmament. O Lord of cosmic vitality, your manifestation is charming and wonderful. Since the pervading lord has placed cosmic waters at the high place, you uphold the mysterious name. 3

O adorable Lord, Nature's forces are lovely. Through your glory and by their liberal gifts they gain immortality. Men desirous of long life, adore the fire-divine, the conveyor of offerings by homage and prayers. 4

There has been no granter of rewards, more venerable than you, O adorable God, nor shall there be one worthier of invocations through hymns of praises. The man, within whose house you live as guest, shall surely obtain prosperity and progeny through his noble deeds. 5

वयमग्ने वनुयाम त्वोता वसुयवो हविषा बुध्यमानाः ।
वयं समर्ये विदथेष्वह्ना वयं राया सहसस्पुत्र मर्तान् ॥६॥

vayām

agne vanuyāma tvótā vasūyāvo havishā budyamānāḥ | va-
yām samaryé vidátheshv āhnām vayām rāyā sahasas putra
mártān || 6 ||

॥१७॥

यो न आगो अभ्येनो भगव्ययीदधमघशंसि दधात ।
जही चिकित्वो अभिःशस्तिमेतामग्ने यो नो मर्चयति द्वयेन ॥७॥
त्वामस्या व्युशि देव पूर्वे दूतं कृष्णाना अयजन्त हव्यैः ।
संस्थे यदग्ने ईयसे रयीणां देवो मर्तैर्वसुभिरिच्यमानः ॥८॥
अव स्पृधि पितरं योधि विद्वान्पुत्रो यस्तं सहसः सून उहे ।
कदा चिकित्वो अभि चक्षसे नोऽग्ने कदा कृतचियातयासे ॥९॥
भूरि नाम वन्दमानो दधाति पिता वसो यदि तजोषयासे ।
कुविदेवस्य सहसा चकानः सुन्नममिध्वनते वावृधानः ॥१०॥
त्वमङ्ग जरितारं यविष्ठ विश्वान्यग्ने दुरितानि पर्षि ।
स्तेना अदश्त्रन्निपयो जनासोऽज्ञातकेता वृजिना अभूवन् ॥११॥

yó na ágo abhy éno bhárāty ádhīd aghām aghāṣaṁse
dadhāta | jāhī eikitvo abhīṣastim etām āgne yó no marcā-
yati dvayéna || 7 || tvām asyā vyūshi deva pūrve dūtām
krīṇvānā ayajanta havyaiḥ | samsthé yád agna íyase rayī-
nām devó mártair vásubhir idhyāmānāḥ || 8 || āva sprīdhi
pitāraṁ yódhi vidvān putró yás te sahasaḥ sūna ūhé
kadā eikitvo abhī cakshase nó 'gne kadāñ ṛitacīd yātayāse
|| 9 || bhūri náma vādamāno dadhāti pitā vaso yádi táj jo-
sháyāse | kuvíd devásya sáhasā cakānāḥ sumnām agnir va-
nate vāvṛidhānāḥ || 10 || tvām āngā jaritāraṁ yavishṭha viṣ-
vāny agne duritāti parshi | stenā adṛiṣṭran ripāvo jānāsó
'jñātaketā vṛijiná abhūvan || 11 ||

O adorable God, may we, the aspirants of wealth, aided by you, be safe under your protection ; may we acquire riches, through our devotion, be victorious in our struggles, and be successful in our worship every day; and may we, O source of strength, obtain prosperous sons and grandsons. 6

May adorable Lord inflict evil upon the evil-plotter, who commits sin or wickedness against us. May the sagacious Lord destroy the calumniator, who injures us with double-dealing. 7

At the dawn's flushing, O adorable Lord, people from the earliest times have been serving you with offerings, accepting you as the envoy of Nature's bounties. You, O bright shining fire-divine enkindled by the mortal devotees, please go to places of worship, the places where the wealth is stored. 8

May you carry him across the troubles, O Lord, the source of strength, who offers to you reverence, like a wise son to his father. O sagacious Lord, when will you look upon us ? When will you, O Lord, ordainer of eternal law, direct us to noble path ? 9

Glorifying you, he addresses you with many a name, when you, O Lord, the bestower of dwellings, as father are pleased to accept this. Verily the Lord, proud of His strength and splendour, bestows happiness upon His true devotee. 10

Most youthful adorable God, verily you bear your adorer safely beyond all his troubles. We now know our thieves and hostile people. We have, however, to guard against those who have gone underground. 11

इमे यामासस्त्वद्रिगभ्वन्वसेवे वा तदिदागो अवाचि ।
नाहायमग्निर्मिशस्तये नो न रीषते वावृधानः परा दात् ॥१२॥

imé yāmāsas tvadrīg abhū-
van vāsave vā tād id āgo avāci | nāhāyām agnīr abhīsas-
taye no ná rīshate vāvṛdhānāḥ parā dāt ॥ 12 ॥

(४) चतुर्थं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सूनस्यावेयो वसुभृत क्रयिः । अभिर्वेवता । विपुष् छन्दः ॥

॥१८॥ त्वामग्ने वसुपति वसूनामभि प्र मन्दे अध्वरेषु राजन् ।
त्वया वाजं वाजयन्तो जयेमभि प्याम पृतसुतीर्मर्त्यानाम् ॥१॥
हव्यवाळमिरजरः पिता नो विभुर्विभावा सुदृशीको अस्मे ।
सुगार्हपत्याः समिषो दिदीह्यस्मद्यक्सं मिमीहि श्रवांसि ॥२॥
विशां कविं विश्वपतिं मानुषीणां शुचिं पावकं घृतपृष्ठमग्निम् ।
नि होतारं विश्वविदं दधिध्वे स देवेषु वनते वार्याणि ॥३॥
जुषस्वाम इळया सजोषा यतमानो रश्मिभिः सूर्यस्य ।
जुषस्व नः समिधं जातवेद आ च देवान्हविरद्याय वक्षि ॥४॥

4.

Tvām agne vāsapatim vāsūnām abhī prā mande adhva-
rēshu rājan | tvāyā vājam vājayānto jayemābhi shyāma pṛit-
sutūr mārtyānām ॥ 1 ॥ havyavāl agnīr ajārah pitā no vibhūr
vibhāvā sudrīṣiko asmé | sugārbapatyāḥ sām īsho didihy
asmadryāk sām mimīhi śrāvāṁsi ॥ 2 ॥ viśām kavīm viśpā-
tim mánushīnām śúcim pāvakām ghṛitāpṛishtham agnīm
ní hótāraṁ viṣvavidam dadhidhve sá devēshu vanate vār-
yāṇi ॥ 3 ॥ jushāsvāgna ilayā sajóshā yátamāno raśmībhiḥ
sūryasya | jushāsva naḥ samídham jātaveda ā ca devān
havirādyāya vakshi ॥ 4 ॥

These eulogies have been directed towards you, and we have also confessed our crimes, O Lord, the giver of dwellings. May the adorable Lord, well-pleased by our praises, never yield us to the maligner or the malevolent. 12

4

O adorable Lord, sovereign king of wealth and treasures, I glorify you whilst busy at the selfless noble deeds. May we obtain the strength we long for, through you ; and through you, may we overcome the fierce attacks of the forces of wicked persons. 1

The eternal adorable Lord, the bearer of oblations, is our protector. He is all-pervading, resplendent, and pleasing in appearance. May He supply us plenty of food, in return of our well-maintained household fire and measure out to us abundant food and fame. 2

O men enshrine the cosmic fire in your hearts, as Lord of the Society of human beings, the pure, the purifying, balmed with water or butter and invoker of divine powers. He bestows upon His learned worshippers the choicest gifts. 3

O cosmic fire, competing with solar rays may you relish our offerings, and in this let your effulgence also participate. May you enjoy, O universally present fire, this fuel of ours, and bring here other Nature's bounties also to have their share. 4

जुष्टो दमृता अतिथिर्दुरोण इमं नो यज्ञमुप याहि विद्वान् ।
विश्वो अग्ने अभियुजो विहत्या शत्रूयतामा भंग भोजनानि ॥५॥

jūṣṭo dāmūnā átithir duroṇa imám
no yajñám úpa yāhi vidvān | víṣvā agne abhiyújo vihátyā
satrūyatām ā bharā bhōjanāni || 5 ||

॥१५॥ वधेन दस्युं प्र हि चातयस्व वयः कृष्णानस्तन्येऽस्व त्वायै ।
पिपिर्षि यत्सहसस्पुत्र देवान्सो अग्ने पाहि नृतम् वाजे अस्मान् ॥६॥
वयं ते अग्न उक्थेर्विधेम वयं हव्यैः पावक भद्रशोचे ।
अस्मे रयि विश्वारं समिन्वासे विश्वानि द्रविणानि धेहि ॥७॥

vadhéna dásyum prá hí cātáyasva váyaḥ kṛiṇvānás
tanvè sváyai | píparshi yát sahasas putra devān só agne
pāhi nṛitama vāje asmān || 6 || vayám te agna ukthair vi-
dhema vayám havyaíḥ pāṇaka bhadraśoce | asmé rayim
viṣvāvāraṁ sām invāsmé víṣvāni dráviṇāni dhehi || 7 ||

अस्माकमग्ने अध्वरं जुषस्व सहसः सुतो त्रिषधस्य हव्यम् ।
वयं देवेषु सुकृतः स्याम शर्मणा नस्त्रिवरुधेन पाहि ॥८॥
विश्वानि नो दुर्गाहा जातवेदः सिन्धुं न नावा दुर्गितानि पर्षि ।
अग्ने अत्रिवन्नमसा गृणानोऽस्माकं बोध्यविता तनूनाम् ॥९॥

asmā-

kam agne adhvarām jushasva sāhasaḥ sūno trishadhastha
havyām | vayám devéshu sukṛitāḥ syāma śarmanā nas tri-
várūthena pāhi || 8 || víṣvāni no durgāhā jātavedaḥ síndhum
ná nāvā duritāti parshi | ágne atrivān nāmasā gṛiṇānò
'smākam bodhy avitā tanūnām || 9 ||

O adorable Lord, you are loving, generous and honoured as respectable guest in our homes. May you come to bless our fire-ritual. May you having scattered all our adversaries, bring to us the possessions of our foe-men. 5

O adorable Lord, may you demolish, with your weapon, the wicked, appropriating possessions for the benefit of such persons, as belong to you. O source of strength, chief of leaders, inasmuch as you satisfy Nature's bounties, so may you, protect us in our struggles. 6

O Lord of auspicious lustre, and purifier, we adore you, with our hymns and offerings. May you bestow upon us all desired riches ; bestow upon us all sorts of treasures. 7

O source of strength, dweller in three regions, accept our devotion and offerings. May we be regarded among learned as the doers of good. May you protect us with triply-guarding shelter. 8

May you bear us, O omniscient Lord, over all unsurmountable woes and evils, as on a boat across a river. O Lord, we, like any other person liberated glorify you with reverence. You very well known that you alone are the guardian of our person. 9

यस्त्वा हृदा कीरिणा मन्यमानोऽमर्त्यं मर्त्यो जोहवामि ।
 जातवेदो यशो अस्मासु धेहि प्रजाभिर्गभे अमृतत्वमश्वाम् ॥१०॥
 यम्मे त्वं सुकृते जातवेद उ लोकमग्ने कृणवः स्योनम् ।
 अश्विने स पुत्रिणं वीरवन्तं गोमन्तं रयिं नशते स्वस्ति ॥११॥

yás tvā hṛidā kīrīṇā
 mānyamāno 'martyam mārtyo jōhavāmi | jātavedo yāso
 asmāsu dhehi prajābhir agne amṛitatvām aśyām || 10 || yā-
 smai tvām sukrīte jātaveda u lokām agne kṛiṇāvah syo-
 nām | aśvīnaṁ sá putrīṇaṁ vīrāvantaṁ gómantaṁ rayīm
 naṣate svastī || 11 ||

(५) पञ्चमं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्वाराय सूक्तस्याग्नेयो वसुधृत ऋषिः । (१) प्रथमर्च इन्द्रः समिद्धो वाग्निः, (२) द्वितीयाया
 नराशंसः, (३) तृतीयाया इन्द्रः, (४) चतुर्थ्या बर्हिः, (५) पञ्चम्या देवीर्दारः, (६) षष्ठ्या उपासानका, (७)
 सप्तम्या देव्यो होतारो प्रचेतसो, (८) अष्टम्यास्तिस्रो देव्यः सरस्वतीजामारत्यः, (९) नवम्याऋषयः,
 (१०) दशम्या वनस्पतिः, (११) एकादश्याथ स्वाहाकृतयो देवताः । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥१०॥ सुसमिद्धाय शोचिषे घृतं तीव्रं जुहोतन । अग्नये जातवेदसे ॥१॥
 नराशंसः सुपूदतीमं यज्ञमदाभ्यः । कविर्हि मधुहस्त्यः ॥२॥
 इलितो अग्न आ वहेन्द्रं चित्रमिह प्रियम् । सुखे स्थैभिरूतये ॥३॥
 ऊर्णव्रदा वि प्रथस्वाभ्यर्का अनूषत । भवा नः शुभ्र सातये ॥४॥
 देवीर्दारो वि श्रयध्वं सुप्रायणा न उतये । प्रप्रं यज्ञं पूणीतन ॥५॥

5.

Súsamiddhāya śocīshe ghṛitām tivrām juhótana | agnāye
 jātāvedase || 1 || nārāśānsaḥ sushūdatīmām yajñām ādā-
 bhyah | kavīr hí mādhuḥastyah || 2 || ilító agna ā vahén-
 draṁ citrām ihá priyām | sukhaí ráthebhir ūtāye || 3 || ūr-
 ṇamradā ví prathasvābhy ārkā anūshata | bhāvā naḥ ṣu-
 bhra sātāye || 4 || dévīr dvāro ví śrayadhvaṁ supṛāyaṇā
 na ūtāye | prá-pṛa yajñām pṛiṇītana || 5 ||

Though mortal, I earnestly invoke you, O immortal Lord, praising you with a devoted heart. O omniscient Lord, may you vouchsafe me, fame and repute, and may I obtain immortality through the continuance of my posterity. 10

O omniscient adorable God, upon whatsoever performer of noble acts, you cast a favourable regard, he enjoys welfare and wealth, and becomes the possessor of horses, brave sons, cows and cattle. 11

5

Offer hot and clarified butter to the well-kindled shining omnipresent fire-divine. 1

Ever-praised by men, the fire-divine inspires sacred acts, He is wise, uninjurable, and sweet-handed. 2

Adored, O fire-divine, bring hither the splendid and friendly sun, with his easy-going chariot for our protection. 3

May you spread your grassy seats soft as a sooly blanket, and sing holy hymns. May the splendrous Lord grant rewards to us. 4

O divine doors, be easy of access for our protection ; may our sacred worship be a success. 5

॥२१॥ सुप्रतीके वयोवृद्धा यक्षा ऋतस्य मातरा । दोषामुषासमीमहे ॥६॥
 वातस्य परमर्षाळिता देव्या होतारा मनुषः । इमं नो यज्ञमा गतम् ॥७॥
 इळा सरस्वती मही तिस्रो देवीर्मयोभुवः । वहिः सीदन्वस्त्रियः ॥८॥
 शिवस्त्वष्टरिहा गंहि विभुः पापं उत त्मना । यज्ञेयं ह्ये न उदव ॥९॥
 यत्र वेत्थ वनस्पते देवानां गुह्या नामानि । तत्र हव्यानि गामय ॥१०॥
 स्वाहामये वरुणाय स्वाहेन्द्राय मरुद्भ्यः । स्वाहा देवेभ्यो हविः ॥११॥

suprátike vayovṛīdhā yahvī ṛitāsya mātārā | doshām
 ushāsam imahe || 6 || vātasya pātmann īlitā daīvyā hótārā
 mánushah | imāni no yajñām ā gatam || 7 || ilā sárasvatī —
 || 8 || śivās tvashtar ihā gahi vibhūḥ pōsha utā tmānā | ya-
 jñé-yajñe na ud ava || 9 || yātra vēttha vanaspate devā-
 nām guhya nāmāni | tātra havyāni gāmaya || 10 || svāhā-
 gnāye vārunāya svāhéन्द्रāya marúdbhayah | svāhā devé-
 bhyo havīḥ || 11 ||

(६) ऋतं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्वस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयो वसुभूत ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । पद्मिष्ठऋचः ॥

॥२२॥ अग्निं तं मन्ये यो वसुरस्तं यं यन्ति धेनवः ।
 अस्तमर्वन्त आश्वोऽस्तं नित्यासो वाजिन इषं स्तोतृभ्य आभर ॥१॥

6.

Agnīm tām manye yó vásur ástam yām yānti dhená-
 vah | ástam árvanta āśávó 'stam nityāso vājina ísham sto-
 tribhya ā bhara || 1 ||

We supplicate the evening and dawn who are lovely, givers of longevity, mighty and the abiders of eternal laws. 6

Glorified may you, O divine invokers of Nature's bounties come with the speed of wind to bless the sacred worship of this man, the institutor. 7

May the divine spirit of wisdom, speech and prosperity, the benevolent sources of happiness, perpetually have the proper seat within our hearts. 8

O benevolent and plentiful architect of universe, being propitious, come of your own accord, and help us in our every sacred act. 9

Wherever you know, O Lord of vegetation, the secret forms of Nature's bounties to be, thither may you send our offerings. 10

Hail to the adorable, hail to the venerable, and hail to the resplendent Lord ; hail to the vital principles and hail with oblations to other Nature's bounties. 11

I glorify that adorable Lord, who provides habitation ; gives shelter to the milch-kine, and to the fleet-foot coursers. The constant offerers of homage also seek him. May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore you. 1

सो अग्निर्वां वसुर्गृणि सं यमायन्ति धेनवः ।
 समवन्तो रघुद्रुवः सं सुजातामः सूरय इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥२॥
 अग्निर्हि वाजिनं विशे ददाति विश्वचर्षणिः ।
 अग्नी राये स्वाभुवं स प्रीतो याति वार्यमिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥३॥
 आ ते अग्न इधीमहि द्युमन्तं देवाजरम् ।
 यद्वा स्या ते पनीयसी समिदीदयति द्यवीषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥४॥
 आ ते अग्न ऋचा हविः शुक्रस्य शोचिषस्पते ।
 सुश्वन्द्र दस्म विस्पते हव्यवाट तुभ्यं हूयत इषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥५॥

só agnir yó vásur gr̥ṇé sām yām
 āyānti dhenávaḥ | sām árvanto raghudrúvaḥ sām sujātāsaḥ
 sūrāya íṣhaṁ — || 2 || agnir hí vājinaṁ viṣe dādāti viśvā-
 carshaṇiḥ | agnī rāyé svābhúvaṁ sá prīto yāti vāryam
 íṣhaṁ — || 3 || á te agna idhīmaḥi dyumántaṁ devājāraṁ |
 yád dha syá te pānīyasī samíd dīdáyati dyāvīshaṁ
 — || 4 || á te agna ṛicā haviḥ śukrasya śocishas pate | sú-
 ṣcandra dásma víspate hávyavāṭ túbhyaṁ hūyata íṣhaṁ
 — || 5 ||

॥२३॥ प्रो ते अग्नयोऽग्निषु विश्वं पुष्यन्ति वार्यम् ।
 ते हिन्विरे त इन्विरे त इषण्यन्त्यानुषगिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥६॥
 तव ते अग्नि अर्चयो महिं ब्राधन्त वाजिनः ।
 ये पत्वभिः शफानां व्रजा भुरन्त गोनामिषं स्तोतृभ्य आ भर ॥७॥

pró tyé agnáyo 'gnīshu víśvam pushyanti vāryam | té
 hinvire tá invire tá ishanyanty ānushág íṣhaṁ — || 6 || táva
 tyé agne arcāyo máhi vrādhanta vājinaḥ | yé pátvabhīḥ
 śaphānām vrajá bhuránta gónām íṣhaṁ — || 7 ||

He is the adorable Lord praised as the giver of dwellings to whom the milch-kine, the short-paced horse and devout worshippers of high descent come. May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore you. 2

Adorable God, the observer of all mankind, gives energised food to the man who worships Him. When pleased, He bestows to the aspirants that wealth, which is precious on its own. May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore you. 3

O adorable Lord, we kindle your light, bright and undim-
inishing, so that its blazes keep shining deep in our hearts.
May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore
you. 4

O adorable God, Lord of bright light, bestower of bliss,
splendrous, protector of men, the acceptor of devotions,
to you the worship is offered with the sacred hymns.
May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore
you. 5

These divine flames, enshrined in the worshipful hearts,
cherish everything that is precious. They give delight,
spread wide within, and perpetually crave for fresh feed.
May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore
you. 6

O adorable Lord, when nourished, these flames of
devotion, spread out with the swift speed of horses, and
reach the centre, the seat of wisdom and knowledge. May
you grant, O Lord, nourishment to those, who adore
you. 7

नवां नो अ॒ग्न आ भ॑र स्तोतृ॒भ्यः सु॒क्षिती॑रिषः ।
 ते स्या॑म॒ य आ॒नृचु॑स्त्वाद्दृ॒तासो॑ दमे॒दम् इषं॑ स्तोतृ॒भ्य आ भ॑र ॥८॥
 उ॒भे सु॒श्रन्द्र॑ स॒र्पिषो॑ द॒र्वी श्री॑र्णा॒प आ॒सनि॑ ।
 उ॒तो न॒ उत्पु॑पू॒र्या उ॒क्थेषु॑ शव॒सस्प॑त इषं॑ स्तोतृ॒भ्य आ भ॑र ॥९॥
 ए॒वाँ अ॒ग्निम॑ जु॒र्यमु॒र्गाभि॑र्य॒ज्ञेभि॑रानु॒पक् ।
 दध॑द॒स्ये सु॒र्वार्य॑मु॒त त्वदा॑श्व॒भ्यमिषं॑ स्तोतृ॒भ्य आ भ॑र ॥१०॥

nāvā no

agna á bhara stotṛibhyaḥ sukshītīr īshaḥ | té syāma yá
 āṇrieús tvádūtāso dāme-dama īshaṁ — || 8 || ubhé suṣcan-
 dra sarpīsho dārvī śrīṇisha āsāni | utó na út pupūryā
 ukthéshu ṣavasas pata īshaṁ — || 9 || evāñ agnīm ajurya-
 mur gīrbhīr yajñébhīr ānushák | dádhad asmé suvīryam utá
 tyád āśvāśvyam īshaṁ — || 10 ||

(७) सममं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तम्यामिष इष ऋषिः । अग्निदेवता । (१-३) प्रथमादिदेवर्चामनुष्टुप्,

(१०) दशम्याथ पाङ्क्तमन्दसी ॥

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स॒खायः॑ सं वः स॒म्यश्च॑मिषं॑ स्तोमं॑ चा॒ग्नये॑ ।
 व॒षिष्ठा॑य क्षि॒तीना॑मू॒र्जो न॒प्त्रे स॒ह॒स्वते॑ ॥१॥
 कु॒त्रा चि॒यस्य॑ स॒मृती॑ रु॒ष्वा नरो॑ नृ॒पदे॑ने ।
 अ॒र्हन्ता॑श्चि॒यमि॒न्धते॑ सं॒जन॑र्यन्ति॒ जन्त॑वः ॥२॥

7.

Sákhāyaḥ sám vaḥ samyāñcam īshaṁ stómaṁ cāgnāye |
 vārshishthāya kshitinām ūrjō náptre sáhasvate || 1 || kútrā
 eid yása sámritau raṇvā náro nṛishádane | árhantaḥ cid
 yām indhaté samjanáyanti jantávaḥ || 2 ||

O adorable Lord, grant fresh food, and happy homes to those who praise you. For us who worship you, you are envoy in every house. May you grant, O Lord, nourishment to those, who adore you. 8

O adorable, the Lord of strength, and bestower of bliss, in order that you fulfil our aspirations, may you accept our devotion as the fire receiving in its mouth the oblations of butter, two ladles full at our solemn rites. May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore you. 9

Thus, O adorable Lord, we duly serve you with praises and with offerings successively. So, may you give us what we crave,—lot of brave sons, and wealth of fleet steeds. May you, O Lord, grant nourishment to those, who adore you. 10

7

Friends, offer best homage and praise to the fire-divine, the most liberal benefactor of men, and the powerful son of strength. 1

Where is that cosmic fire in whose presence men rejoice, while offering homage in congregational halls, whom worthy devotees enkindle, and all living beings generate. 2

सं यद्विषो वनामहे सं हव्या मानुषाणाम् ।
 उत द्युम्नस्य शर्वस कृतस्य रश्मिमा ददे ॥३॥
 स स्मा कृणोति केनुमा नक्तं चिदूर आ सते ।
 पावको यद्वनस्पतीन्प्र स्मा मिनात्यजरः ॥४॥
 अवं स्म यस्य वेषणे स्वेदं पृथिषु जुह्वति ।
 अभीमह स्वजेन्यं भूमा पृष्ठेव रुरुहुः ॥५॥

sām yād ishó vá-
 nāmahe sām havyā mánushāṇām | utá dyumnásya śávāsa
 řitásya raśmím á dade || 3 || sá smā kṛiṇoti ketúm á náktam
 cid dūrā á saté | pāvakó yád vānāspátin prá smā mináty
 ajárah || 4 || áva sma yásya véshaṇe svédam pathíshu jú-
 hvati | abhím áha svájenyam bhúmā pṛishthéva ruruhuḥ
 || 5 ||

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यं मर्त्यैः पुरुषपृष्ठं विदद्विष्वस्य धायसे ।
 प्र स्वादनं पितॄणामस्तताति चिदायवे ॥६॥
 स हि ष्मा धनवाक्षितं दाता न दात्या पशुः ।
 हिरिश्मश्रुः शुचिदग्निमुग्निभृष्टतविषिः ॥७॥
 शुचिः ष्म यस्मा अत्रिवत्प्र स्वाधितिव रीयते ।
 सुषूरसूत माता क्राणा यदान्ते भगम् ॥८॥
 आ यस्ते सर्पिरासुतेऽग्ने शमस्ति धायसे ।
 ऐषु द्युम्नमुत श्रव आ चित्तं मर्त्येषु धाः ॥९॥

yám mártyaḥ puruṣpṛiḥam vidád viśvasya dháyase | prá
 svádanam pitūnām ástatātim cid áyáve || 6 || sá hí shmā
 dhánvákshitam dátā ná dáty á paśuḥ | hiriśmaśruḥ śuci-
 dann řibhúr ánibhřiṣṭatavishiḥ || 7 || śuciḥ shma yásmā
 atrivát prá svádhitiva ríyate | sushúr asūta mātá krāṇá yád
 ānaśé bhágam || 8 || á yás te sarpirāsuté 'gne śám ásti dhā-
 yase | aishu dyumnám utá śráva á cittám mártyeshu dhāḥ

When we present to him devotional homage, and when he accepts the offerings of men, then by the strength of his divine splendour, he assumes the radiance of eternal truth. 3

Verily he gives a signal during the darkness of night to one, who is far off, when he, the purifier, the undecaying, consumes the forest tree. 4

At whose worship the devotees pour the dripping butter upon the ritual fire, and streams mount along the flames, as if ones own son riding upon the back of his father. 5

Him whom, the desired of many, the devout man recognizes as the sustainer of all, the giver of flavour to food and the provider of home to every living man. 6

He, who is vast and possessor of irresistible strength, crops the dry ground strewn with grass and wood, like a herd, while grazing ; he, as if, with a golden beard, and shining teeth. 7

Bright as an axe is he, to whom the mortal sage, exempt from the three types of pains, offers worship ; he, whom his prolific mother, the fire-stick, has given birth to. The benefactor fire then receives the offerings. 8

O adorable Lord, the acceptor of homage, like the fire accepting butter, the upholder of all, be delighted by our praise. May you bestow upon the worshippers fame, food and intelligence. 9

इति चिन्मन्युमग्निजत्वादात्मा पशुं ददे ।
आदग्ने-अपृणतोऽग्निः सासह्यादस्यृनिषः सासह्यान् ॥१०॥

iti ein manyúm adhríjas tvádātam á paṣuṁ dade | ád
agne ápṛiṇató 'triḥ sāsahyād dásyūn isháh sāsahyān nṛīn
॥ 10 ॥

(८) अष्टमं सूक्तम्

(१-५) सप्तर्षेऽस्यास्य सूक्तस्यावेय इष ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । जगती छन्दः ॥

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त्वामग्ने ऋतायवः समीधिरे प्रत्नं प्रत्नास ऊतये सहमृत ।
पुरुश्चन्द्रं यजुतं विश्वधायसं दमूनसं गृहपतिं वरेण्यम् ॥१॥
त्वामग्ने अतिथिं पुर्य विशः शोचिष्केऽं गृहपतिं नि षेदिरे ।
बृहत्केतुं पुरुरूपं धनस्पृतं सुशर्माणं स्ववसं जगद्विषम् ॥२॥
त्वामग्ने मानुषीरिळेते विशो होत्राविदं विविचिं गृध्रातमम् ।
गृहा सन्तं सुभग विश्वदर्शतं तुविष्णुणसं सुयजं घृतध्रियम् ॥३॥

8.

Tvám agna řitāyavaḥ sām ídhire pratuám pratuása
ūtāye sahasṛita | puruścandrām yajatām viṣvadhāyasam
dāmūnasam gṛihápatiṁ vāreṇyam || 1 || tvám agne átithim
purvyām viṣaḥ śociṣhkeṣam gṛihápatiṁ ní shedire | bṛihát-
ketum pururūpaṁ dhanasprītam suśarmāṇam svāvasam ja-
radviṣham || 2 || tvám agne mánushīr ilate víṣo hotṛāvidam
víviciṁ ratnadhātāmam | gūhā sántaṁ subhaga viṣvadarṣa-
taṁ tuvishvanāsam suyájam ghṛitaśríyam || 3 ||

O adorable Lord, may he, the triply liberated sage, take all the gifts of cattle and wealth, offered to you, and with that aid subdue the hostile men. 10

8

O adorable Lord, you are inspirer of strength. From the earliest times, ancient devotees, the lovers of truth, have been enkindling your love in their hearts for their preservation. You are eternal, bliss-bestower, adorable, nourisher of universe, liberal giver, lord of the home holder, and venerable. 1

O adorable Lord, men enshrine you in their hearts, as their dear ancient guest, and master of their homes. You are brilliant like the blazing flame of fire, highly enlightened, and multiform. You are dispenser of wealth, bestower of happiness, kind protector and destroyer of decay and rot. 2

Human beings glorify you, O gracious adorable Lord, the appreciator of offerings, the discriminator between virtue and vice and the most liberal giver of precious things. You the auspicious, stay concealed in the innermost cavity and yet at times visible to all, and your loud voice is heard by them. You just as fire with butter, are honoured by holy hymns and glorified by loving devotion. 3

त्वामग्ने धर्षसि विश्वधा वयं गीर्भिर्गुणन्तो नमसोप सेदिम ।
 स नो जुषस्व समिधानो अङ्गिरो देवो मर्तस्य यज्ञसा सुदीतिभिः ॥४॥
 त्वामग्ने पुरुषो विशेविशे वयो दधामि प्रनथा पुरुषुत ।
 पुरुष्यन्ना सहसा वि रंजसि त्विषिः सा ते तित्विषाणस्य नाधुप ॥५॥
 त्वामग्ने समिधानं यविष्ठव देवा दूतं चक्रिरे हव्यवाहनम् ।
 उरुज्रयमं घृतयोनिमाहुतं त्वेपं चक्षुर्दधिरे चोदयन्मति ॥६॥
 त्वामग्ने प्रदिव आहुतं घृतेः सुम्नायवः सुषमिधा समीधिरे ।
 स वावृधान ओषधीभिरुक्षितोऽभि जयांसि पार्थिवा वि तिष्ठसे ॥७॥

tvām agne

dharnasīm viśvādhā vayām gīrbhīr gṛiṇānto nāmasōpa se-
 dima | sā no jushasva samidhānó aṅgiro devó mártasya ya-
 śāsā suditībhiḥ || 4 || tvām agne pururūpo viśe-viśe vāyo
 dadhāsi prasnāthā puruṣtuta | purūny ānnā sāhasā ví rā-
 jasi tvīṣiḥ | sā te titviśhāśasya nādhrīshe || 5 || tvām agne
 samidhānām yavishṭhya devā dūtām cakrire havyaavāha-
 nam | urujrāyasam ghṛitāyonim āhutam tveshām cakshur
 dadhire codayānmati || 6 || tvām agne pradīva āhutam ghṛi-
 taiḥ sumnāyāvaḥ sushamīdhā sām idhire | sā vāvṛidhāná ósha-
 dhibhīr ukshito 'bhī jrāyānsi pāṛthivā ví tishṭhase || 7 ||

(९) नवमं सूक्तम्

(१-७) सप्तर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्यावेधो गय ऋषिः । अग्निदेवता । (१-४. ६) प्रथमादिचतुर्द्धां पठयाध्यातुम् ।

(५, ७) पञ्चमीसप्तम्योश्च पङ्क्तिच्छन्दसी ॥

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त्वामग्ने हविष्मन्तो देवं मतीम ईळते ।
 मन्ये त्वा ज्ञातवेदसं स हव्या वक्ष्यानुषक् ॥१॥

9.

Tvām agne havishmanto devām mártāsa īlate | mānye
 tvā jātāvedasam sā havyā vakshy ānushāk || 1 ||

We are drawn near you, O all-sustaining adorable God, adoring you in many ways, singing songs and with reverence. May you, O self-illuminated Lord, when enkindled like fire, be propitious to us and with your radiance make us glorious. 4

O adorable Lord, multiform, you grant nourishment to each and every mortal. You by your might, are sovereign over all sorts of nourishing food. Your splendour, when blazing brightly, is unrivalled. 5

O adorable God, ever young, when you are pleased, Nature's bounties are inspired by you and take you as the bearer of homage. Your glory is wide-reaching. Your love to the devotee when invoked, is enkindled as fire with butter. The men inspired by their understanding accept you as the brilliant eye of the universe. 6

From the earliest times, men seeking joy have been kindling you with earnest invocations and devotion, just as fire with fuel and butter. Again, just as sprinkled with butter and fed with plants, the fire spreads all over the layers of land, similarly, you, by the devotion, enlighten the entire life of the worshipper. 7

9

Mortal men with reverential homage, glorify you, O fire-divine. I adore you, O Lord, cognizant of all that is born, so that you may please convey my offerings to Nature's forces. 1

अभिर्होता दास्वतः क्षपस्य वृक्तवर्हिषः ।
सं यज्ञामश्चरन्ति यं सं वाजांसः श्रवस्यवः ॥२॥

उत स्म यं शिशुं यथा नव जनिष्ठारणी ।
धर्तारं मानुषीणां विशामग्निं स्वध्वरम् ॥३॥

उत स्म दुर्गभीयसे पुत्रो न ह्यार्याणाम् ।
पुरु वो दग्धामि वनाग्ने पशुन यवसे ॥४॥

अथ स्म यस्यार्चयः सम्यक्संयन्ति धूमिनः ।

यदीमह त्रितो दिव्युप ध्मातेव धर्माति शिशीते ध्मातरौ यथा ॥५॥

agnir hótā

dāsvataḥ ksháyasya vṛiktábarhishah | sám yajñásaḥ éaranti
yám sám vájasaḥ śravasyávaḥ || 2 || utá sma yám śiṣuṇi
yathā návaṃ jánishṭārāṇi | dhartáram mánushīṇām viṣám
agnim svadhvarám || 3 || utá sma durgrībhiyase putró ná
hvāryānām | purú yó dagdhási vānāgne paśúr ná yávase
|| 4 || ádha sma yasyārcáyah samyák samyānti dhūmīnaḥ |
yád im áha tritó divy úpa dhmāteva dhāmati śiṣīte dhmā-
tārī yathā || 5 ||

तवाहमग्ने उतिभिर्मित्रस्य च प्रशस्तिभिः ।
द्वेपोयुतो न दुरिता तुर्याम मर्त्यानाम् ॥६॥
तं नो अग्ने अभी नरो रयिं सहस्व आ भर ।
स क्षेपयत्स पोषयद्ब्रुवद्वाजस्य सातय उतेयि पृत्सु नो वृधे ॥७॥

tāvāhām agna ūtibhir mitráśya ca prāṣasti-
bhiḥ | dveshoyūto ná duritá turyāma mártiyanām || 6 || támi
no agne abhī náro rayim sahasva á bhara | sá kshepayat
sá poshayad bhúvad vājasya sātāya utaidhi pritsú no vṛi-
dhé || 7 ||

Adorable Lord evokes Nature's bounties to proceed to the home of that person who liberally gives and whose heart is free of impurities ; and further, in whom congregate all sacrifices, securing food and fame. 2

It (the attrition fire) is the one which the two wooden sticks have engendered, like a new-born infant. This has become the supportor of men, and therefore, it fully deserves our adoration for peaceful purposes. 3

It is very hard to harness this fire, like the taming of the offsprings of wriggling snakes. O terrestrial fire, you have the capacity of burning forests as an animal consuming fodder. 4

The fire emits forth the smoke and the flames intensely collect and then diffuse to the three regions. The fire inflates in the firmament like the blower of a bellows and then sharpens its flames as the fire blazing from the blast of the blower. 5

O fire may we through your friendly and protective aids, and by our praises of you, subdue the wickedness of mortal men, and destroy the malignant. 6

O powerful fire, upon us, the institutors of holy acts, please bestow affluence. May this fire lay off our foes, and protect and nourish us and help in procuring energised food. May it be with us in our struggles for success. 7

(१० । दशमं सूक्तम्)

(१-७) समवेत्सवायं वृजतमाविशो गवः क्रविः । अग्निदेवता । (१-३, ५-६) परमार्थितुवरयं पञ्चमी
वृष्टीरुचोभानुपुष्टं (८, ७) चतुर्थीसमन्वयोभः पञ्चिष्ठदर्शः ।

॥२॥

अग्न ओजिष्ठमा भरं युष्मन्सम्भ्यमग्निगो ।

प्र नो राया परीणसा रत्सि वाजाय पन्थाम् ॥१॥

त्वं नो अग्ने अद्भुतं कृत्वा दक्षस्य मंहता ।

त्वं असुर्यमारुहत्काणा मित्रो न यज्ञियः ॥२॥

त्वं नो अग्न एषां गव्यं पुष्टिं च वर्धय ।

ये स्तोमैभिः प्र सूरयो नरो मयान्यानुशुः ॥३॥

ये अग्निं चन्द्रं ते गिरः शुम्भन्ववश्चराधमः ।

शुष्मेभिः शुष्मिणो नरो दिवश्चियेषां बृहत्सुर्कृतिर्वीर्यति त्मना ॥४॥

तव त्वे अग्ने अर्चयो भ्राजन्तो यन्ति धृष्णुया ।

परिन्मानो न विद्युतः स्वानो रथो न वाजयुः ॥५॥

नू नो अग्न उतये सुवार्धसश्च रातये ।

अस्माकांसश्च सूरयो विश्वा आशास्तरीपणि ॥६॥

त्वं नो अग्ने अङ्गिरः स्तुतः स्तवान् आ भर ।

होतृविभ्वासहं रविं स्तोतृभ्यः स्तवसे च न उतैवि पृत्सु नो वृथे ॥७॥

10.

Agna ójishtham á bhara dyumnám asnábhyam adhrigo |
 prá no rāyā parīṇasā rātsi vājāya pānthām || 1 || tvām no
 agne adbhuta krātvā dākshasya marhānā | tvé asuryām
 āruhat krāṇā mitrō ná yajñīyaḥ || 2 || tvām no agna eshām
 gāyam pushtīm ca vardhaya | yé stómebhiḥ prá sūrāyo
 nāro maghāny ānasūḥ || 3 || yé agne candra te girāḥ ṣum-
 bhānty āsvarādhasaḥ | śúshnebhiḥ ṣushmīṇo nāro divás cid
 yéshām bṛihāt sukīrtīr bódhati tmānā || 4 || tāva tyé agne
 arcāyo bhrājanto yanti dhṛishṇuyā | párijmāno ná vidyútaḥ
 svāno rátho ná vājayūḥ || 5 || nú no agna útāye sabādha-
 saḥ ca rātāye | asmákāsaḥ ca sūrāyo víśvā āśās tarīshāni
 || 6 || tvām no agne aṅgira stutā stāvāna á bhara | hó-
 tar vibhvāsāham rayīm stotribhya stāvase ca na utaídhi
 prītsú no vṛidhé || 7 ||

O adorable Lord of irresistible powers, bring to us most powerful and resistless splendour, may you invest us with over-flowing store of wealth, and mark out for us the paths to spiritual enlightenment. 1

O marvellous adorable Lord, gratified by our noble acts, invest in us greatness of vigour. In you abides the strength, necessary to destroy wickedness and evils. You, the O embodiment of holiness, are actively engaged like the radiant sun. 2

O adorable Lord, increase means of sustenance and house and home of ours who are wise and have acquired prosperity through the chanting of vedic hymns. 3

O blissful supreme Lord, those who glorify you with hymns, obtain richness of vitality and are invigorated with the foe-destroying energies. Their fame reaches the height of firmament. This they gain by your own accord (i.e. by your favour). 4

O adorable Lord, these your bright and fierce flames of glory spread all over like the lightnings flashing around and are like a rattling car forcibly procuring foodgrains. 5

Now O adorable Lord, come swiftly for our protection, and for bestowing riches to the needy and oppressed. And may all the aspirations of our enlightened ones be fulfilled. 6

O adorable Lord, dear as our life, glorified in the past, glorified at present, invoker of Nature's forces, bring unto us riches enabling us to overcome the mighty. May you give to your praisers ability to extol you, and be near us for success in struggles. 7

(११) अजातशत्रुस्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चमस्यास्य सूतस्याविषः सुतस्मरः रुचिः । आग्नेयः । जगती ७५५ ॥

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जनस्य गोपा अजनिष्ट जागृविरग्निः सुदक्षः सुविताय नव्यसे ।
 घृतप्रतीको बृहता दिविस्पृशं द्युमति भाति भरतेभ्यः शुचिः ॥१॥
 यज्ञस्य केतुं प्रथमं पुरोहितमग्निं नरंस्त्रिपधुस्ये समीधरे ।
 इन्द्रेण देवैः सरथं स बर्हिषि सीदन्नि होतां यजथाय सुकृतुः ॥२॥
 असंसृष्टो जायसे मात्रोः शुचिर्मन्द्रः कविरुदतिष्ठो विवस्वतः ।
 घृतेन त्वावर्धयन्न आहुत धुमस्ते केतुरभवद्विवि श्रितः ॥३॥

11.

Jánasya gopá ajanishta jágrivir agniḥ sudákshah suvi-
 táya návyase | ghṛitápratiko bṛihatá divispṛiṣā dyumád vi
 bhāti bharatébhyah śuciḥ || 1 || yajñásya ketúm prathamám
 puróhitam agniṁ náras trishadhasthé sám idhire | índreṇa
 devaíḥ sarátham sá barhishi sídan ní hótā yajáthāya sukrá-
 tuḥ || 2 || ásammrishto jāyase mātroph śucir mandráḥ kavír
 úd atishtho vivásvataḥ | ghṛiténa tvāvardhayann agna āhuta
 dhūmās te ketúr abhavad divi śritāḥ || 3 ||

अग्निर्नो यज्ञमुप वेतु साधुवाग्निं नरो वि भरन्ते गृहेगृहे ।
 अग्निर्दुतो अभवद्व्यवाहनेऽग्निं वृणाना वृणते कविकेतुम् ॥४॥
 तुभ्येदमग्निं मधुमत्तमं वचस्तुभ्यं मनीषा इवमेस्तु शं हृदे ।
 त्वां गिरः सिन्धुमियावनीर्महीरा पृणन्ति शयसा वर्धयन्ति च ॥५॥

agnír no yajñám
 ūpa vetu sādhyágniṁ náro ví bharante grīhe-grīhe | agnír
 dūtó abhavad dhavyaváhano 'gniṁ vṛiṇāná vṛiṇate kaví-
 kratum || 4 || túbhyedám agne mádhumattamam vácas tú-
 bhyam manishá iyám astu śam hṛidé | tvām gírah síndhum
 ivāvánir mahír ā pṛiṇanti śavasā vardháyanti ca || 5 ||

The glory of the powerful adorable Lord, the protector of man, ever vigilant, is revealed again and again for the fresh prosperity of the world. Whilst pleased with devotion, his intense radiance appears to the devotee as if touching lofty heavens and His glory shines brilliantly for the liberal benefactors. 1

Men, engaged in meditation first kindle the glory of adorable Lord in all the three realms ; physical, vital and mental. The meditating mind, the divine light, the self and the inner organs of cognition, all the four are channelized into one direction, as if riding in one and the same car. He, the one engaged in meditation, sets in the comfortable posture for the transcendental concentration. 2

O adorable Lord, may your glory be manifested in our innermost consciousness, just as the fire (of attrition) is generated unobstructed of the two mothers, and when fed with butter and offerings, it gives out smoke, spreading abroad in the sky, like the banner of your glory. 3

May fire divine, the fulfiller of our aspirations, come to the holy place our work and worship. Devotees cherish the fire-divine in every dwelling which is the bearer of oblations, and becomes an envoy, the bearer of our gifts. Wise men adore the fire-divine as the accomplisher of benevolent works. 4

O adorable Lord, to you, this sweetest prayer is addressed. May this praise, product of my thought, be dear to your heart. May my pious hymns fill you, and make you, for us, yet more mighty in strength, as large rivers replenish the sea. 5

त्वामग्ने अङ्गिरसो गुहा हितमन्वविन्दजिष्ठश्रियाणं वनेवने ।
स जायसे मथ्यमानः सहो महत्त्वामाहुः सहसस्पुत्रमङ्गिरः ॥६॥

tvām

agne āṅgirasō gūhā hitām ānv avindañ chisriyāṇām vāne
-vane | sá jāyase mathyāmānaḥ sāho mahāt tvām ahuḥ sá-
hasas putrām āṅgiraḥ ॥ 6 ॥

(१२) द्वादशं मूलम्

(१-६) पद्वयस्यास्य धृतस्यानेयः सुतम्भरः कपिः । अग्निदेवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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प्राग्नेये बृहते यज्ञियाय ऋतस्य वृष्णे अमुराय मन्म ।
धृतं न यज्ञ आस्येऽ सुपृतं गिरं भरे वृषभाय प्रतीचीम् ॥१॥
ऋतं चिकित्वा ऋतमिच्चिकिद्भवृतस्य धारा अनु तृन्धि पूर्वीः ।
नाहं यातुं सहसा न द्वयेन ऋतं संपाम्यरुषस्य वृष्णः ॥२॥
कया नो अग्न ऋतयन्ननेन भुवो नवेदा उचथस्य नव्यः ।
वेदा मे देव ऋतुपा ऋतूनां नाहं पतिं सन्नितुस्व रायः ॥३॥
के ते अग्ने रिपवे बन्धनासः के पायवः सनिषन्त द्युमन्तः ।
के धासिमग्ने अनृतस्य पान्ति क आसतो वचसः सन्ति गोपाः ॥४॥

12.

Prāgnāye bṛihaté yajñiyāya ṛitāsya vṛishṇe āsurāya
mánma | ghṛitām ná yajñā āsyè súpūtaṁ gíram bhare vṛi-
shabhāya praticīm ॥ 1 ॥ ṛitām cikitva ṛitām íc cikiddhy
ṛitāsya dhārā ānu tṛindhi pūrvīḥ | náhām yātum sáhasā
ná dvayéna ṛitām sapāmy arushásya vṛishṇaḥ ॥ 2 ॥ káyā no
agna ṛitáyann ṛiténa bhúvo návedā ucáthasya návyah |
védā me devá ṛitupá ṛitūnām náhām pátim sanitúr asyá
rāyāḥ ॥ 3 ॥ ké te agne ripáve bāndhanāsaḥ ké pāyávaḥ sa-
nishanta dyumántaḥ | ké dhāsím agne ānṛitasya pānti ká
ásato vācasah santi gopāḥ ॥ 4 ॥

O adorable Lord, earnest seekers discover your knowledge, which remains hidden in mystery, like flames taking refuge from wood to wood. Similar to fire by attrition, your glory is manifested by hard toil and great endurance. Therefore devotees call you, O dearest Lord, the source of strength. 6

12

Like well-purified butter poured into the mouth of ritual fire, I offer the usual sincere and thoughtful praise to the adorable Lord, the supreme, the venerable, the guide of eternal truth, the vigorous, the showerer of benefits. 1

O adorable Lord, best knowing the purpose of our truthful prayers, may you listen to our words and thereon send forth full streams of eternal order. I do not use my might for the purposes of violence, and for duplicity in matters of truth and untruth. I faithfully follow the Lord of the eternal law. 2

O adorable Lord, bestower of blessings, by what eternal law will you be giving recognition to our adoration? May you, O guardian of the laws be pleased to know my purpose. I know not the Lord, who has been distributing riches among us. 3

O adorable Lord, who among us are the subduers of adversaries? Who among us are the protectors, and distributors of splendid wealth? Who among us, are the defenders of falsehood and who are the encouragers of evil deeds? 4

सखायस्ते विष्णुणा अग्न एते शिवामः सन्तो अशिवा अभूवन् ।
 अधूर्षत स्वयमेते वचोभिर्ऋज्यून्ते वृजिनानि ब्रुवन्तः ॥५॥
 यस्ते अग्ने नमसा यज्ञमीदृ कृतं स पात्यरुपस्य वृष्णाः ।
 तस्य क्षयः पथुरा साधुरेत्तु प्रसस्त्रीणस्य नहुषस्य शेषः ॥६॥

sákhāyas te víshunā agna
 eté śivāsah sánto áśivā abhūvan | ádhūrsbata svayám eté
 vácobhir řijūyaté vřijināni bruvántaḥ || 5 || yás te agne ná-
 masā yajñám ítta řitám sá pāty arushásya vřishṇaḥ | tásya
 ksháyah pñithúr á sādúr etu prasársrāṇasya náhushasya
 śésah || 6 ||

(१३) त्रयोदशं सूक्तम्

(१-६) पशुचर्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयः सुतम्भरः ऋषिः । अग्निदेवता । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

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अर्चन्तस्त्वा हवामहेऽर्चन्तः समिधामहि । अग्ने अर्चन्त ऊतये ॥१॥
 अग्नेः स्तोमं मनामहे सिध्मस्य दिविस्पृशः । देवस्य द्रविणस्ययः ॥२॥
 अग्निर्जुषत नो गिरो होता यो मानुषेष्वा । स यक्षहेव्यं जनम् ॥३॥
 त्वमग्ने सुप्रथा असि जुष्टो होता वरेण्यः । त्वया यज्ञं वि तन्वते ॥४॥

13.

Árcantas tvā havāmahé 'reantaḥ sám idbīmahī | ágne
 árcanta ūtāye || 1 || agné stómam manāmahe sidhrám adyá
 divisprīṣaḥ | devásya draviṇasyávaḥ || 2 || agnír jushata no
 gíro hótā yó mánusheshv á | sá yakshad daívyam jānam
 || 3 || tvám agne sapráthā asi júshto hótā vāreṇyaḥ | tváyā
 yajñám ví tanvate || 4 ||

These widely-dispersed friends of yours, O adorable Lord have been unhappy (whilst abandoning your worship) but are now again enjoying (on renewal of their devotion). May they who utter wicked words against the righteous, suffer by their own words and perish. 5

O resplendent, adorable Lord, the showerer of blessings, may his home be wide and prosperous, who performs your worship with reverence, and lives true to the law eternal. And may the noble aspirations of men, who diligently worship you be fulfilled. 6

13

O adorable Lord, with songs of praise we invoke you ; with invocations we enkindle your glory ; we invoke you for help. 1

Aspiring to be rich, we recite today the effectual praise of adorable Lord, whose radiance touches the luminous heaven. 2

May the adorable Lord, inspirer of Nature's bounties seated in the innerconscience of men, take delight in our praises and honour the wishes of enlightened persons. 3

O adorable Lord, you are the supreme reliance, most venerable, bounteous, and most gracious. Verily it is through you that the sacred works flourish to glory. 4

त्वामग्ने वाजसातमं विप्रो वर्धन्ति सुष्टुतम् । स नो रास्य सुवीर्यम् ॥५॥
अग्ने नेमिररां इव देवांस्त्वं परिभूरसि । आ राधश्चित्रमृञ्जसे ॥६॥

tvām agne vājasātamaṁ viprā var-
dhanti sūṣṭutam | sā no rāsva suvīryam || 5 || agne nemīr-
arāṁ iva devāṁs tvām paribhūr asi | ā rādhaṣ citrām ṛiñ-
jase || 6 ||

(१४) चतुर्दशं सूक्तम्

(१-६) ऋचस्यास्य धनत्रयावेयः सुतम्भरः कविः । अग्निदेवता । गाथया छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ अग्निं स्तोमेन बोधय समिधानो अमर्त्यम् । हव्या देवेषु नो दधत् ॥१॥
तमध्वरेष्वीळते देवं मर्ता अमर्त्यम् । यजिष्ठं मानुषे जने ॥२॥
तं हि शश्वन्त ईळते मुचा देवं घृतश्रुता । अग्निं हव्याय वोळ्हेयं ॥३॥
अग्निर्जातो अंगोचत घ्नन्द्स्यूङ्योतिषा तमः । अविन्दुता अपः स्वः ॥४॥
अग्निमीलिन्यै कविं घृतपृष्ठं सपयत । वेतु मे शृणवद्भवम् ॥५॥
अग्निं घृतेन वावृधुः स्तोमेभिर्विश्वचर्षणिम् । स्वाधीभिर्वचम्युभिः ॥६॥

14.

Agnīm stómena bodhaya samidhānó ámartyam | havyā
devēshu no dadhat || 1 || tām adhvarēshv ilate devām mártā
ámartyam | yājishtham mánushe jáne || 2 || tām hí śáṣvanta
ilate srucā devām ghṛitāṣcūtā | agnīm havyāya vólhave
|| 3 || agnir jātó arocata ghnān dāsyūñ jyótishā támaḥ |
āvindad ḡā apāḥ svāḥ || 4 || agnīm ilēnyam kavīm ghṛitā-
prishtham saparyata | vētu me śṛiṇāvad dhāvam || 5 || agnīm
ghṛitēna vāvṛidhu stómebhir viṣvācarshaṇim | svādhibhir
vacasyúbhiḥ || 6 ||

Wise worshippers exalt you with praises, O adorable Lord, you are bountiful giver of strength. May you bestow upon us excellent vitality and virility. 5

O adorable Lord, you encompass Nature's forces, as the felly rings the spokes, may you bestow manifold wealth upon us. 6

14

May you arouse the grace of immortal Lord with your prayers ; so that, when pleased, may He, like the flame of fire, bear our homage to Nature's bounties. 1

Mortals extol this immortal, divine supreme, at high solemnities, most adorable among mankind. 2

All glorify the spiritual fire pouring out love from their heart as if butter to fire with sacrificial ladle. They glorify the spiritual fire, so that it conveys their homage to Nature's forces. 3

The spiritual fire as soon as manifested, blazes brightly, destroying the wicked and dispersing the darkness by its lustre. It restores wisdom, action and happiness. 4

May you honour the spiritual fire, the source of wisdom, whose summit blazes with love. May it respond to my invocation. 5

They exalt the spiritual fire, the universal illuminator of the inner realm with intense devotions and hymns of praise singularly meditative and eloquent. 6

(१५) पञ्चदशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्याङ्गिरसो धरुण ऋषिः । भस्मिर्देवता । विष्णुर्छन्दः ॥

॥ ३ ॥

प्र वेधसे कवये वेद्याय गिरं भरे यज्ञसे पूर्याय ।
 घृतप्रसत्तो असुरः सुशेवो रायो धर्ता धरुणो वसो अग्निः ॥१॥
 कृतेन कृतं धरुणं धारयन्त यज्ञस्य शाके परमे व्योमन् ।
 दिवो धर्मन्धरुणे सेदुषो नृजातिरजातां अभि ये ननक्षुः ॥२॥
 अंहोयुवस्तन्वस्तन्वते वि वयो महद्दुष्टं पूर्याय ।
 स संवतो नवजातस्तुतुर्यात्सिंहं न क्रुद्धमभितः परि षुः ॥३॥

15.

Prá vedhāse kavāye védyāya gīram bhare yaśāse pūr-
 vyāya | ghṛitāprasatto ásurah suśévo rāyó dhartá dharuṇo
 vásvo agniḥ || 1 || řitēna řitām dharuṇam dhārayanta yajñā-
 sya śaké paramé vyōman | divó dhārman dharuṇe seduṣho
 nrīñ jātaír ājātāñ abhí yé nanakshuh̥ || 2 || añhoyúvas tan-
 vās tanvate ví váyo mahád dushtāram pūrvyāya | sá sam-
 váto návajātas tuturyāt sínhām ná kruddhām abhítaḥ pári
 shthuh̥ || 3 ||

मातेव यद्भरसे पप्रथानो जनंजनं धायसे चक्षसे च ।
 वयोवयो जरसे यद्धानः परि त्मना विष्णुरूपो जिगामि ॥४॥
 वाजो नु ते शवसस्यात्वन्तमुहं दोग्धं धरुणं देव रायः ।
 पदं न तायुर्गुहा दधानो महो राये चितयन्नत्रिमस्यः ॥५॥

mātéva yád bhārase paprathāno jānam-janam
 dhāyase cākshase ca | váyo-vayo jarase yád dádhānaḥ pári
 tmāná víshurūpo jigāsi || 4 || vájo nú te śavasas patv āntam
 urum dógham dharuṇam deva rāyāḥ | padām ná tāyūn
 guha dádhāno mahó rayé citáyann átrim aspaḥ || 5 ||

Devotion live alone pleases our adorable Lord. He is strong, blissful, the possessor of riches, the acceptor of homage and the bestower of habitations. To such a far-seeing, renowned, eternal, glorious, all-wise Lord, the praise I offer. 1

They, who, with the help of mortal priests, gain favour of the immortal leading divine powers, the firm sustainers of the loftiest heaven, by sacred prayers, enshrine in their hearts the Lord of universal fire, who is upholder of all noble deeds, and embodiment of truth. 2

They, who present to the eternal universal fire, the sacred oblations, unattainable by others, their minds and bodies become free from sin and disease. May the Lord, newly-revealed and realized help him to conquer his adversaries, gathered around him, like an angry lion. 3

While pervading everywhere, you support all men like a mother, and being adored for sustaining and imparting knowledge, you mature every kind of food, then, O universal fire, assuming many forms, you comprise all beings in yourself. 4

O divine universal fire, may the sacrificial food, the vast yielder of benefits to men, the sustainer of riches, support the utmost of your vigour ; and may you, like a thief, who keeps his refuge secret, help the sage, exempt from three types of miseries to obtain true wisdom and affluence. 5

(१६) षोडशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चम्यान्वयः सूक्तस्यान्वयः पूरकविः । अग्निदेवता । (१-४) प्रथमादिवतुर्नचामनुष्टुप्,

(५) पञ्चम्याश्च परिक्रुशन्दर्शा ॥

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बृहद्वयो हि भानवेऽर्चा देवायामये ।
 यं मित्रं न प्रशस्तिभिर्मतींसो दधिरे पुरः ॥१॥
 स हि द्युभिर्जनानां होता दक्षस्य बाह्वोः ।
 वि हव्यमग्निरानुषग्भगो न वारमृष्वति ॥२॥
 अस्य स्तोमे मघोनः सख्ये वृद्धशोचिषः ।
 विश्वा यस्मिन्तुविष्वाणि समये शुष्ममादधुः ॥३॥

16.

Brīhád váyo hí bhānávē 'reā devāyāgnāye | yām mi-
 trām ná prāśastibhir mātāso dadhiré purāḥ || 1 || sá hí
 dyūbhir jānānām hótā dākshasya bāhvōḥ | ví havyām agnir
 ānushág bhāgo ná vāram ṛiṇvati || 2 || asyā stōme maghó-
 naḥ sakhyé vṛiddhāśocishah | vīśvā yāsmīn tuvishvāṇi sām
 aryé śūshmam ādadhūḥ || 3 ||

अध्वा ह्यग्ने एषां सुवीर्यस्य मंहना ।
 तमिद्युहं न रोदसी परि श्रवो बभूवतुः ॥४॥
 नू नू एहि वार्यमग्ने गृणान आ भर ।
 ये वयं ये च सुरवः स्वस्ति धामहे सचोतेधि पृत्सु नो वृधे ॥५॥

ádhā hy āgna eshām suvīr-
 yasya māñhānā | tām íd yāhvām ná ródasī pári śrávo ba-
 bhūvatuh || 4 || nū na éhi vāryam āgne gṛiṇānā á bhara |
 yé vayām yé ca sūrāyah svastí dhāmahe sácotaídhi pṛitsú
 no vṛidhē || 5 ||

Sing abundant devotional praises to the divine and radiant adorable God, whom men, by laudations, assign the foremost place, as given to a friend. 1

That adorable Lord, by the strength and splendour, becomes the ministrant priest of men, who conveys their homage straight to Nature's bounties, and like a gracious friend distributes desirable wealth. 2

May we surrender ourselves to Lord just as persons surrender their strength to the loud-sounding and all-ruling fire. May we the devotees through our love and praise of the rich and extremely radiant Lord, obtain all sorts of prosperity. 3

O adorable Lord, may you be disposed for bestowing excellent strength on these worshippers. In your brilliance, you surpass the glory of heaven and, earth, and even the mighty sun. 4

Glorified by us, O adorable Lord, come quickly, and bring to us precious wealth ; we who are your worshippers, we who are your adorers, offer you welcome, and these devotional oblations. May you be favourable to us, and near to us in the struggles for our victory. 5

(१७) सप्तदशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चस्यस्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयः पूरुर्ऋषिः । अग्निर्देवता । (१-४) प्रथमादिचतुर्ऋचामनुष्टुप् ।

(५) पञ्चमाथ पङ्क्तिरुन्दसी ॥

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आ यज्ञेदेव मर्त्ये इत्था तव्यांसमूनये ।
 अग्निं कृते स्वचरे पूरुरीक्षितावसे ॥१॥
 अस्य हि स्वयंशस्तर आसा विधर्मन्मन्वसे ।
 तं नाकं चित्रशोचिषं मन्द्रं पुरो मनीषया ॥२॥
 अस्य वासा उ अचिषा य आयुक्त तुजा गिरा ।
 दिवो न यस्य रेतसा बृहच्छोचन्त्यर्चयः ॥३॥

17.

Ā yajñair deva mārtya itthā tāvyāṁsam ūtāye | agnīm
 kṛite svadhvaré •pūrūr ilītāvase || 1 || āsya hī svāyaṣastara
 āsā vidharman mānyase | tāṁ nākaṁ citraśocisham man-
 drām paró manīsháyā || 2 || asyā vāsā u arcīshā yā āyukta
 tujā girā | divó ná yāsya rétasā bṛihác chóeanty arcāyah
 || 3 ||

अस्य कृत्वा विचेतसो दुस्सस्य वसु रथ आ ।
 अथा विश्वासु हव्योऽग्निर्विशु प्र शस्यते ॥४॥
 नू न इहि वार्यमासा संचन्त सूर्यः ।
 उजो नपादभिष्टये पाहि शग्धि स्वस्तय उतैधि पूत्सु नो वृधे ॥५॥

asya krátvā vícetaso dasmāsya vāsu rátha á | ádhā
 víśvāsu hávyo 'gnír vikshú prá śasyate || 4 || nú na íd dhí
 váryam āsā sacanta sūráyah | ūrjo napād abhíshtāye pāhí
 śagdhí svastáya utáidhi — || 5 ||

The enlightened man for his help, calls upon the radiant adorable Lord, with sacred worship. He invokes Him for preservation, whenever a sacred work is solemnized. 1

O performer of sacred works, being renowned, may you praise, by your well-conceived words, that adorable Lord, who is possessed of wonderful splendour, is exempt from pain, is venerable, and is supreme, beyond the conception of man. 2

Verily, men gain glory through Him, whose glory is increased by powerful praise, whose various beams of splendour flash on high as though they spring from heavenly seed. 3

Wise devotees obtain prosperity and high nobility through the worship of omniscient Lord, who is full of splendour. Adorable Lord is invoked and glorified by all people. 4

O adorable Lord, may you give us such precious wealth, as is obtained by a devout worshipper, by singing songs of praise. O source of strength, be gracious to us to fulfil our aspirations, and protect us for our welfare. May you bear in our struggles for our prosperity. 5

(१८) अष्टादशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्चस्यास्य मृतस्य मृतवाहा भावेयो दित क्रतिः । अग्निदेवता । (१-४) प्रथमादि-
चतुर्देवामनुष्टुप् । (५) पञ्चम्याश्च पङ्क्तिस्तन्द्वा ।

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प्रातरग्निः पु॒रु॒प्रि॒यो वि॒शः स्त॒वे॒ताति॒थिः ।
 वि॒श्वानि॒ यो अम॑र्त्यो ह॒व्या म॑र्त॒ेषु र॑ण्यति ॥१॥
 द्वि॒ताय॑ म॒ृतवा॑हसे स्वस्य दक्षस्य म॒हना॑ ।
 इ॒न्दुं स ध॑त्त आनु॒पक्स्तो॑ता चित्ते अमर्त्य ॥२॥
 तं वो दी॒र्घायु॑शोचिषं गिरा हु॒वे म॒घोना॑म् ।
 अ॒रि॒ष्टो येषां रथो व्य॑श्वदाव॒न्नीय॑ते ॥३॥

18.

Prātár agnīḥ purupriyó viśá stavetátithīḥ | víśvāni yó
 ámartyo havyá mārteshu rányati || 1 || dvitáya mṛiktávāhase
 svásya dákshasya mañhánā | índum sá dhatta ānushák stotá
 ci te amartya || 2 || táṃ vo dīrgháyušociśhaṃ girá huve
 maghónām | árishto yéshām rátho vy āśvadāvann íyate
 || 3 ||

चित्रा वा येषु दी॒धिति॑रासन्न॒कथा॑ पान्ति॒ ये ।
 स्ती॒र्णं व॒र्हिः स्व॑र्णरे श्रवा॑ंसि दधिरे परि ॥४॥
 ये मे पञ्चा॑शतं द॒दुश्वा॑नां स॒धस्तु॑ति ।
 द्युम॑दमे महि श्रवो बृह॒त्कृधि॑ म॒घोनां॑ नृवद॒मृत॑ नृणाम् ॥५॥

citrā vā yéshu dīdhitir āsann ukthá pánti yé | stīrṇám
 barhīḥ svārṇare śrávānsi dadhire pári || 4 || yé me pañcā-
 śataṃ dadúr āśvānāṃ sadhástuti | dyumád agne máhi śrávo
 bṛihát kṛidhi maghónām nṛivád amṛita nṛiṇām || 5 ||

Let the immortal, adorable Lord, who delights in all devotional offerings of mortals, be glorified. May He, the beloved guest of all, be present at dawn. 1

O immortal, be willing to grant a part of your own strength to the seeker, endowed with two-fold qualities—material and spiritual, to the worshipper, who offers devotion with pure heart, for he is your diligent praiser, and offers devotional love increasingly. 2

O glorious bestower of vigour and long life, I invoke you with praises, so that your chariot of virtuous attributes, proceeds unimpeded. 3

Those, among whom there are varied ways of thoughts and practices, who perpetuate the sanctity of hymns by their recital, and who make all preparations for performing sacred worship, may they deck themselves with high fame. 4

O immortal Lord, bestow ample, and abundant food, and many helpful dependants upon those noble men, who at the synod present me fifty (numberless) fast moving vehicles.

(१९) एकानविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चनस्यास्य सृतस्याविषो वविक्रविः । अग्निर्वेवता । (१-२) प्रथमादिनीपयोऋचोऽग्रायत्री,

(३-४) तृतीयाचतुर्थोऽनुष्टुप्, (५) पञ्चम्याश्च विगदन्त्या छन्दोभिः ॥

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अभ्यवस्थाः प्र जायन्ते प्र वव्रेर्वव्रिश्चिकेत । उपस्थे मातुर्वि चष्टे ॥१॥

जुहुरे वि चितयन्तोऽनिमिषं तृष्णं पान्ति । आ दृक्कां पुं विविशुः ॥२॥

आ श्वेत्त्रेयस्य जन्तवो द्युमर्हन्त कृष्टयः ।

निष्कृग्रिवो बृहदुक्थ एना मध्वा न वाजयुः ॥३॥

प्रियं दुग्धं न काम्यमजामि जाम्योः मर्चा ।

घर्मो न वाजजठरोऽदब्धः शश्वतो दभः ॥४॥

कीळन्नो रश्म आ भुवः सं भस्मना वायुना वेविदानः ।

ता जम्य मन्ध्रपजो न त्रिग्माः सुसंशिता वृश्चो वक्षणेस्थाः ॥५॥

19.

Abhy āvasthāḥ prā jāyante prā vavrér vavriṣ ciketa |
 upāsthe mātúr ví easṭhe || 1 || juhuré ví citáyantó 'nimisham
 nṛimṇám pānti | á dṛiḥhám púram vivīṣuḥ || 2 || á śvaitreyá-
 sya jantávo dyumád vardhanta kṛiṣṭáyāḥ | nishkágrivo
 bṛiháduktha ená mádhvā ná vājayúḥ || 3 || priyám dugdhám
 ná kámyam ájāmi jāmyóḥ sáca | gharmó ná vājajatharó
 'dabdhāḥ śasvato dábhaḥ || 4 || kṛiḥan no raṣma á bhuvaḥ
 sām bhásmanā vāyúnā vévidānaḥ | tá asya san dhrīṣhájo
 ná tig máḥ súsamṣitā vakshyò vakshanesthāḥ || 5 ||

(२०) विंशं सूक्तम्

(१-८) चतुर्नस्यास्य सृतस्याविषोः प्रपस्वन्त रूपयः । अग्निर्वेवता । (१-३) प्रथमादिचतुर्विधस्यानुष्टुप्,

(८) चतुर्थ्या ऋचश्च पङ्क्तिछन्दसौ ॥

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यममे वाजस्मातम् त्वं चिन्मन्यमे रयिम ।

तं नो गीभिः श्रवाय्यं देवत्रा पनया युजाम ॥१॥

20.

Yám agne vājasātama tvám ein mánýase rayím | tám
 no gīrbhīḥ śraváyyam devatrā panayā yújam || 1 ||

Invisible acceptor, as Lord Himself is, He looks and cognizes our devotional homage, just as fire in the lap of its mother, accepting oblations and assuming various forms or manifestation. 1

They, who know your power, invoke you incessantly and guard and nourish your glory by homage. They even enter the impregnable city and stay fortified. 2

Living men of riches, bearing gold chain round their collars, earnest in praise, desirous of nourishment, augment your glorious vigour by their sweet adorations. 3

May adorable five-divine with His two associates, light in heaven and soil on the earth, hear our faultless praise, which is as palatable as milk. He is like a caldron, filled with nourishment and remains unconquered while conquering His foes. 4

O radiant adorable Lord, encouraged by the wind and sporting among the ashes come to us. And may the fierce fiery flames, destructive of foes, be gentle to this, your, worshipper. 5

O adorable Lord, bounteous, giver of strength, may you convey our homage to Nature's bounties, of which you approve, and which deserve to be commended by our praises. 1

ये अग्ने नैरयन्ति ते वृद्धा उग्रस्य शवसः ।

अप द्वेषो अप ह्यरेऽन्यव्रतस्य सश्चिरे ॥२॥

होतारं त्वा वृणीमहेऽग्ने दक्षस्य साधनम् ।

यज्ञेषु पृथ्यं गिरा प्रयस्वन्तो हवामहे ॥३॥

इत्या यथा त ऊतये सहमावन्दिषेदिवे ।

राय क्रताय सुकतो गोभिः प्याम सधमादो वीरैः स्याम सधमादः ॥४॥

yé agne

néráyanti te vṛiddhá ugrásya śávasaḥ | ápa dvésho ápa
hváro 'nyávratasya saścire || 2 || hótāraṁ tvā vṛiṇīmahé 'gne
dákshasya sádhanam | yajñéshu pūrvyāṁ girá práyasvanto
havāmahe || 3 || itthā yáthā ta ūtāye sáhasāvan divé-dive |
rāyá rītāya sukrato góbhiḥ shyāma sadhamádo vírañi syāma
sadhamádaḥ || 4 ||

(२१) एकविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-४) चतुर्दशस्यास्य सूक्तस्यत्रियः मम ऋषिः । अग्निदेवता । (१-३) प्रथमादिचतुस्रस्तानुष्टुप्,

(४) चतुर्व्यां ऋचथ पङ्क्तिरुत्तरसी ॥

॥१॥ मनुष्वत्त्वा नि धीमहि मनुष्वत्समिधीमहि । अग्ने मनुष्वदङ्गिरो देवान्देवयते यज ॥१॥
त्वं हि मानुषे जनेऽग्ने सुप्रीत इध्यसे । सुचस्त्वा यन्त्वानुपक्मुजान् सपिगामुते ॥२॥
त्वां विश्वे सजोषमो देवामो दूतमकत । सपर्यन्तस्त्वा कवे यज्ञेषु देवमीळिते ॥३॥

21.

Manushvát tvā ní dhīmahi manushvát sám idhīmahi |
āgne manushvād āngiro devān devayaté yaja || 1 || tvāṁ hí
mánushe jáné 'gne súprīta idhyāse | srúcas tvā yanty ānu-
shák sújāta sárpirāsute || 2 || tvāṁ víṣve sajóshaso deváso
dūtám akrata | saparyāntas tvā kave yajñéshu devám ilate
|| 3 ||

May those prosperous men, who do not offer homage to you, become destitute of great strength and wealth, and may the followers of paths, other those of the virtuous incur your disfavour and punishment. 2

We, the indefatigable toilers, greet you, the invoker of the Nature's bounties, and the giver of skill and strength. We adore you, foremost at holy ceremonies with praise. 3

O possessor of strength and wisdom, day by day make us such, that we may enjoy your protection; and may we be happily enjoying riches earned through righteous means. May we be also the possessors of wealth, cattle and brave children. 4

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O adorable Lord, like wise sages, we meditate upon your glory ; like wise men, we kindle your glory. O dear Lord, may you like an intelligent person, bless those who aspire to be divine. 1

When you are pleased, O adorable Lord, your glory gladly shines upon the human race. Devotional sweet songs, like ladles full with butter for well-born fire, are constantly offered to you. 2

O far-seeing sage, all the divinities, of one accord, have established you as their envoy. The pious sages whilst engaged in selfless noble works adore you as a Lord. 3

देवं वो देवयज्ययाग्निमीळीतु मर्त्यम् ।

समिद्धः शुक्र दीदिह्यतस्य योनिमासदः समस्य योनिमासदः ॥१॥

devām vo devayajyāyāgnīm ilīta mārtyaḥ | sāmiddhaḥ
śukra dīdihy ṛitāsya yōnim āsadaḥ sasāsya yōnim āsadaḥ
॥ 4 ॥

(२२) द्वाविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) चतुर्दशस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयो विशस्तामा कृषिः । अग्निर्देवता । (१-३) प्रथमादिचतुर्दशानुष्टुप् ।

(५) चतुर्ध्या ऋचश्च पङ्क्तिश्छन्दसी ॥

॥१॥ प्रविश्वसामन्नत्रिवदर्ची पावकशीचिषे । यो अध्वरेष्वीड्यो होता मन्द्रतमो विशी ॥१॥

न्यग्निं ज्ञानवदसं दधाता देवमुत्विजम् । प्र यज्ञ एत्यानुषग्या देवर्च्यचस्तमः ॥२॥

चिकित्विन्मनसं त्वा देवं मतींस उतये । वरेण्यस्य तेऽवस इयानासो अमन्महि ॥३॥

अग्ने चिकिञ्चस्व न इदं वचः सहस्य ।

तं त्वा सुशिप्र दम्पते स्तोमैर्वर्धन्त्यत्रयो गीर्भिः शुम्भन्त्यत्रयः ॥४॥

22.

Prā viśvasāmann atrivād ārcā pāvakāśocishe | yó adhva-
réshv idyo hótā mandrátamo viśī || 1 || ny āgnīm jātāveda-
sam dādhātā devām ṛitvījam | prā yajñā etv ānushág adyā
devávyacastamah || 2 || cikitvínmanasam tvā devām mārīāsa
ūtāye | vāreṇyasya té 'vasa iyānāso amanmahī || 3 || āgne
cikiddhy āsyā na idām vācaḥ sahasya | tāṃ tvā suśipra
dampate stómair vardhanty átrayo gīrbhīḥ śumbhanty átra-
yah || 4 ||

O brilliant Lord, men adore you, to convey his homage to Nature's bounties. May you, the radiant one, blaze, like fire when kindled. May you preside over the cosmic causation ; may you preside over the creation. 4

22

O universally acclaimed chanters of sweet symphonies, like a sage, detached from three types of bondage, may you sing praises to adorable Lord, who is the dispenser of purifying light, who must be glorified at all noble performances, who is a liberal giver, and provider of happiness among mankind. 1

Enshrine divine adorable Lord, the conductor of the seasonal sacrifices, in your hearts, through the grace of whom all that exists is known. Let the sacrifice proceed today to all Nature's bounties. 2

All mortals come to you for help, O adorable Lord of supreme intelligence. Seeking protection we always crave for your superb favour and as such we sing praises to you, the most excellent. 3

O adorable God, source of strength, may you recognize the words of our laudation. O charming master of all homes, all persons detached from the three types of pains (physical, mental and spiritual) exalt you such as you are, by their praises, and person free from three blemishes, passion, anger and greed embellish by their hymns. 4

(२३) ययोविशं सुतम्

(१-४) चतुर्वर्चस्यास्य सुतस्याविवा विश्वचर्चगिर्युक्तः क्रविः । भग्निर्देवता । (१-३) प्रथमादितृचर्यानुष्टुप् ।

(४) चतुर्थ्या क्रवध पङ्क्तिरुदमी ॥

॥१५॥

अग्ने सहन्तमा भर युमस्य प्रासहा रयिम ।
 विश्वा यश्चर्चणीरभ्याशेसा वाजेषु सासहेत् ॥१॥
 तमग्ने पृतनापहं रयिं सहस्व आ भर ।
 त्वं हि सुत्यो अहुतो दाता वाजस्य गोमतः ॥२॥
 विश्वे हि त्वा सजोषमो जनामो वृक्तवर्हिपः ।
 होतारं सदासु प्रियं व्यन्ति वार्या पुरु ॥३॥
 स हि श्मा विश्वचर्चणिरभिमाति सहो दुधे ।
 अन्नं एषु क्षयेष्वा रेवन्नः शुक्रदीदिहि युमत्पावकदीदिहि ॥४॥

23.

Āgne sáhantam á bhara dyumnásya prāsáhā rayīm
 víśvā yāś carshaṇír abhy āśā vājeshu sāsáhat ॥ 1 ॥ tār
 agne pṛitanāśháham rayīm sahasva á bhara | tvám hí saty
 ádbhuto dātā vājasya gómataḥ ॥ 2 ॥ víśve hí tvā sajóshas
 jánāso vṛiktábarbishaḥ | hótāraṁ sádmasu priyám vyán
 vāryā purú ॥ 3 ॥ sá hí shmā víśvacarshaṇír abhímāti sáh
 dadhé | ágna eshú ksháyeshv á revāp naḥ śukra didihi dyu
 māt pāvaka didihi ॥ 4 ॥

(२४) यनुर्विशं सुतम्

(१-४) चतुर्वर्चस्यास्य सुतस्य वन्धुः सुवन्धुः भूतवन्धुर्विवरवन्धुश्च । गोवायना नौवायना वा क्रमेणर्चयः ।

भग्निर्देवता । दिव्या विराट् छन्दः ॥

॥१६॥

अग्ने त्वं नो अन्तम उत त्राता शिवो भवा वरूथ्यः । १
 वसुस्रग्निर्वसुश्रवा अच्छा नक्षि युमत्तमं रयिं दाः ॥१॥ २

24.

Āgne tvám no ántama utá trātā śivó bhavā varūthyāḥ
 vásur agnir vásusravā áchā nakshi dyumáttamaṁ rayīm
 dāḥ ॥ 2 ॥

23

O adorable Lord, bestow victory-giving wealth and strength, upon each and every illustrious person, to subdue all his adversaries in struggle through your aid. 1

O supreme adorable Lord, grant us the wealth that vanquishes adversaries in struggle. You are true and wonderful, and the giver of prosperity of wealth and cattle. 2

All men, with pure hearts, and of one accord invoke you, the bounteous and dear, in the worship halls for the choicest wealth. 3

May the all-seeing Lord grant us strength to subdue evil forces. O radiant Lord, shine forth bright in our habitations for prosperity, O purifier, shine splendidly. 4

24

O adorable Lord, be our nearest friend, a protector, benefactor and a gracious friend. 1

O adorable Lord, giver of dwellings and dispenser of food, be near us and bestow upon us wealth, splendidly renowned. 2

स नो बोधि श्रुधी हवमुरुष्या णो अघायतः संमस्मात् । ३
तं त्वा शोचिष्ठ दीदिवः सुन्नाय नूनमीमहे सखिभ्यः ॥२॥ ४

sá no bodhi srudhí hávam urushyá ño aghāyat
samasmāt | tām tvā śocishṭha dīdivaḥ sumnāya nūna
īmahe sákhibhyah ॥ 4 ॥

(२५) पञ्चविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-९) नवर्षस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेया वसुषव ऋषयः । अग्निर्देवता । भगुष्टुष्टु छन्दः ॥

॥१७॥

अच्छा वो अग्निमवसे देवं गांसि स नो वसुः ।
रासंत्पुत्र ऋषूणामृतावा पर्षति द्विषः ॥१॥
स हि सत्यो यं पूर्वं चिद्देवासंश्चिद्यमीधिरे ।
होतारं मन्द्रजिह्वमित्सुदीतिभिर्विभावंसुम् ॥२॥
स नो धीनी वरिष्ठया श्रेष्ठया च सुमत्या ।
अग्ने रायो दिदीहि नः सुवृक्तिभिर्वरेण्य ॥३॥
अग्निर्देवेषु राजत्यग्निर्मतेष्वाविशान् ।
अग्निर्नो हव्यवाह्नोऽग्नि धीभिः संपर्यत ॥४॥
अग्निस्तुविश्रवस्तमं तुविब्रह्माणमुत्तमम् ।
अतूर्तं श्रावयत्पति पुत्रं ददाति दाशुषे ॥५॥

25.

Áchā vo agnīm ávase devāṃ gāsi sá no vāsuh | rá-
putrá ṛishūṇām ṛitāvā parshati dvisháh || 1 || sá hí sat-
yām pūrve eid devásaṣ eid yām ídhiré | hótāram mand-
jihvam ít sudītíbhīr vibhāvasum || 2 || sá no dhītí vá-
shṭhayā śrésṭṭhayā ea sumatyá | ágne rāyó didíhi naḥ s-
vṛiktíbhīr varenya || 3 || agnír devéshu rājaty agnír na-
teshv āviśan | agnír no havyaváhano 'gnīm dhībhiḥ sap-
yata || 4 || agnís tuvīśravastamaṃ tuvibrahmāṇam uttamān-
atúrtam śrāvayátpatim putráṃ dadāti dāśúshe || 5 ||

So, please do understand us, and hear our invocation ;
may you keep us far from malevolent people. 3

O most bright and resplendent, adorable Lord, we
earnestly solicit you for the happiness of ourselves and
our friends. 4

25

Pray to divine adorable Lord for protection ; may He, the
granter of comforts, confer prosperity. May His ever-
true glory, revealed by seers and descendents, save us
from adversities. 1

The ancient sages revealed the glory of this bounteous,
bright-tongued, radiant Lord. Nature's bounties also
manifest it. Verily He is radiant with holy splendour. 2

O adorable Lord, worthy to be propitiated by praises,
may you with your wisdom, that surpasses all and with
most excellent gracious will, confer prosperity on us. 3

Adorable God, like the sacrificial fire, shines amongst
Nature's bounties, and is present amongst mortals alike.
The Lord is the bearer of our oblations. May all glorify
Him with praises. 4

O adorable Lord, bestow upon the donor of the oblation
a son, abounding in nourishment, abounding in deep
devotion, excellent, and invincible, a son that brings glory
to his sire. 5

॥१८॥

अग्निर्ददाति सत्पतिं सासाह यो युधा नृभिः ।
 अग्निरत्यं रघुष्यदं जेतां रमपराजितम् ॥६॥
 यद्वाहिष्ठुं तदग्र्ये बृहदर्थं विभावसो ।
 महिषीव त्वद्वयिन्त्वद्वाजा उदरिते ॥७॥
 तव द्युमन्तो अर्चयो ग्रावेद्योच्यते बृहत् ।
 उतो ते तन्यनुयथा स्वानो अर्तं त्मना दिवः ॥८॥
 एवां अग्निं वसूयवः सहस्रानं ववन्दिम ।
 स नो विश्वा अति द्विषः पर्षन्नावेव सुक्रतुः ॥९॥

agnir dadāti sátpatiṁ sāsāha yó yudhá nṛbhiḥ | agnir
 átyaṁ raghusyádaṁ jétāraṁ áparājitam || 6 || yád váhi-
 shṭhaṁ tād agnáye bṛihád area vibhāvaso | málhishiva tvád
 rayís tvád vājā úd irate || 7 || táva dyumánto arcāyo grāve-
 vocyate bṛihát | utó te tanyatúr yathā svānó arta tmánā
 diváh || 8 || evāñ agniṁ vasūyávaḥ sahasānāṁ vavandima |
 sá no víṣvā áti dvíshaḥ párshan nāvéva sukrātuḥ || 9 ||

(२६) पङ्क्तिं सूक्तम्

(१-९) नवर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेया वसूयव ऋचयः । (१-८) प्रथमाष्टवर्त्मभिः ।

(९) नवम्याथ जिह्वीकृत्य देवताः । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥१९॥

अग्ने पावक रोचिषा मन्द्रया देव जिह्वया । आ देवान्वक्षि यक्षि च ॥१॥
 तं त्वा घृतस्त्वयीमहे चित्रभानो स्पर्द्धशम । देवां आ वीतये वह ॥२॥
 वीतिहोत्रं त्वा कवे द्युमन्तं समिधीमहि । अग्ने बृहन्मध्वरे ॥३॥

26.

Ágne pāvaka rocíshā mandráyā deva jihváyā | á devān
 vakshi yákshi ca || 1 || tām tvā ghṛitasnav imahe cítrabhāno
 swardrīṣam | devāñ á vītāye vaha || 2 || vītihotraṁ tvā kave
 dyumántaṁ sām idhīmahi | ágne bṛihántam adhvaré || 3 ||

Adorable Lord, may you bestow a son, the protector of the good, who, with his followers, conquers in battles; may he be in possession of high-speed war-transport that keeps conquering and is never conquered. 6

The praise, which best conveys our veneration, is due to adorable Lord alone. Affluent in splendour, O Lord, may you grant us prosperity since from your grace proceed vast riches and ample food and strength. 7

O adorable Lord, resplendent are the rays of your light, and loud is your voice like the roar of clouds. Your voice spontaneously resounds like the thunder in the sky. 8

Thus we, seeking wealth and wisdom, glorify the supreme adorable Lord. May He, the most wise, carry us over all our adversities, as a boat crosses a river. 9

26

O fire-divine, holy and illustrious, may you with your radiant and pleasing tongue-like flames bring here to us the benefits of Nature's bounties and honour them. 1

Fed upon, as if, with sacred butter, bright with variegated radiance, we solicit you, (O fire-divine), radiant like the sun, to bring here Nature's bounties to partake of divine glory (in the creation). 2

At this worship-hall, we kindle you, O sage (the Fire-divine) brilliant and vast whose food is, as if, the cosmic oblations. 3

अग्ने विश्वेभिर गहि देवेभिर्हव्यदानये । होतारं त्वा वृणीमहे ॥४॥
यजमानाय सुवृत जाभे सुवीर्यं वह । देवैरा सत्सि बर्हिषि ॥५॥

āgne viśvebhir ā gahi devēbhir havyādātaye | hōtāraṁ tvā
vṛṇīmāhe || 4 || yājamānāya sunvatā āgne suvīryaṁ vaha |
devaīr ā satsi barhīshi || 5 ||

॥२०॥ समिधानः सहस्राजिदग्ने धर्माणि पुष्यसि । देवानां दूत उक्थ्यः ॥६॥
न्यग्निं जातवेदसं होत्रवाहुं यविष्ठयम् । दधाता देवमृत्विजम् ॥७॥
प्र यज्ञ एत्वानुषगया देवव्यचस्तमः । स्तृणीत बर्हिरासदे ॥८॥
एदं मरुतो अश्विनो मित्रः सीदन्तु वरुणः । देवासुः सर्वया विशा ॥९॥

samidhānaḥ sahasrajid āgne dhārmāṇi pushyasi | devā
nām dūtā ukthyāḥ || 6 || ny āgnīm jātavedasam hotravāhaṁ
yāviṣṭhyam | dādhatā devām ṛitvījam || 7 || prā yajñā etv
ānushāg adyā devāvyaçastamaḥ | strīṇitā barhīr āsāde || 8 ||
édām marūto aśvīnā mitrāḥ sīdantu vāruṇaḥ | devāsaḥ sār-
vayā viśā || 9 ||

(२७) समावेशं मूलम्

(१-६) षड्वचस्यस्य सूक्तस्य वैश्वानराभ्यर्चनः, षोडशवचस्यस्य अश्विनोऽश्वमेधश्च राजानो भोमोऽग्निर्वा क्रविः ।

(१-५) प्रथमादिपञ्चमभिः, (६) षष्ठ्याधेन्द्राग्ने देवते । (१-३) प्रथमवचस्य त्रिष्टुप्

(४-६) द्वितीयवचस्य चातुष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

॥२१॥ अलस्वन्ता सत्पतिर्नामहे मे गावा चेतिष्ठो असुरो मघोनः ।
त्रैवृष्णो अग्ने दशभिः सहस्रैर्यश्नानर व्यरुणश्चिकेत ॥९॥

27.

Anasvantā sātpatir māmāhe me gāvā cétiṣṭho āsuro
maghónaḥ | traivṛishṇó agne daśābhiḥ sabāsrair vaiśvānara
tryāruṇaṣ ciketa || 1 ||

Come, O fire divine, with Nature's bounties, to the donor of the oblation. We choose you as our invoking priest. 4

O fire-divine, bring excellent vigour to the institutor of the rite, who pours out the libation. May you stay here, with Nature's bounties, in the sacrificial assembly, as if, and participate. 5

Victor over thousands, you when kindled, favour our holy laws. You, (the fire-divine) are the honoured messenger of Nature's bounties. 6

May you enshrine this fire-divine, who is the bearer of our sacred oblations, most youthful, brilliant, and the ministrant invoker. 7

May the homage, most solemnly offered by the devout, duly proceed today to Nature's bounties. Spread, you all, your pure heart to greet them and welcome. 8

So, may all the divine persons, teachers and preception, friends venerable and righteous, and their people come and be seated here to participate in the sacred work and worship. 9

O leader of people, protector of the virtuous, vigilant, powerful, opulent, popular amongst the three classes, intellectuals, fighters and rich, endowed with three impulses, physical, mental and spiritual, we know you bestow upon us immense treasures (the thousands and so) of wisdom and speedy transport. 1

यो मे शता च विंशति च गोनं हरी च युक्ता सुधुरा ददाति ।
 वैश्वानर सुष्टुतो वावृधानोऽग्ने यच्छ व्यरुणाय शर्म ॥२॥
 एवा ते अग्ने सुमतिं चकानो नविष्टाय नवमं त्रसदस्युः ।
 यो मे गिरस्तुविजानस्य पूर्व्युक्तेनाभि व्यरुणो गृणानि ॥३॥

yó me śatā ca viṁśatīm ca gónāṃ
 hārī ca yuktā sudhūrā dādāti | vaiśvānara śuṣṭuto vāvri-
 dhānó 'gne yācha tryàruṇāya śarma || 2 || evā te agne su-
 matīm cakāno naviṣṭhāya navamāṃ trasādasyuḥ | yó me
 gīras tavijātāsya pūrvīr yukténābhī tryàruṇo gṛṇāti || 3 ||

यो म इति प्रवोचत्यश्वमेधाय सुर्ये ।
 ददद्वा सनि यते ददन्मेधामृतायते ॥४॥
 यस्य मा परुषाः शतमुद्धर्षयन्त्युक्षणः ।
 अश्वमेधस्य दानाः सोमा इव व्याशिरः ॥५॥
 इन्द्राग्नी शतदाव्यश्वमेधे सुवीर्यम् ।
 क्षत्रं धारयत बृहदिवि सूर्यमिवाजरम् ॥६॥

yó ma iti pravócaty áṣvamedhāya sūrāye | dádad řicā sa-
 nīm yaté dādan medhām řitāyaté || 4 || yāsya mā parushāḥ
 śatām uddharshāyanty nkshāṇaḥ | áṣvamedhasya dānāḥ sómā
 iva tryāśiraḥ || 5 || řndrāgnī śatadāvny áṣvamedhe suvīr-
 yam | kshatrām dhārayatam bṛihád diví sūryam ivājaram
 || 6 ||

O leader of people, praised and exalted by us, may you bestow happiness upon citizens endowed with three impulses. You give them hundreds of golden treasures, dozens of cattle, and two horses driven chariots with excellent axles. 2

O leader of people, every wise person, endowed with three sorts of impulses, physical, mental and spiritual, invokes you and craves for your favour, every time anew. Likewise, the disciplinary force, which keeps wicked under fear and control also invokes you with attentive spirit, and eulogises. 3

When a wise man prays with hymns, asking wealth for national service, then may you, O adorable Lord, grant riches to that earnestly devoted man. May you give right understanding to him, who obeys eternal laws. 4

This is the sacred national service, where plans for triple development of agriculture, industry and defence (triple elixing) are offered, and hundreds of robust oxen are donated. May this offering yield delight to my nation. 5

O resplendent Lord and divine powers, bestow upon the munificent performers of this sacrificial act, infinite wealth, with excellent posterity, undecaying as the sun in heaven. 6

(२८) अष्टाविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-६) पद्वचस्यस्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयी विश्वाराः कविका । अग्निर्देवता । (१, ३) प्रथमर्वचनीयायाश्च
(त्रिष्टुप् (२) द्वितीयायाः जगती. (५) चतुर्थी अनुष्टुप्. (५-६) पञ्चमर्वचनीयाश्च गायत्री छन्दोऽसि ॥

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समिद्धो अग्निर्दिवि शोचिरश्रेत्प्रत्यङ्गुषसंमुखिया वि भोति ।
एति प्राचीं विश्ववारा नमोभिर्देवा इच्छाना हविषा घृताची ॥१॥
समिध्यमानो अमृतस्य राजसि हविष्कृष्यन्तं सचसे स्वस्तये ।
विश्वं स धत्ते द्रविणं यमिन्वन्वातिथ्यमग्ने नि च धत्त इत्युरः ॥२॥
अग्ने शर्धं महते सौभगाय तव युष्मान्युत्तमानि सन्तु ।
सं जास्पत्यं सुयममा कृणुष्व शत्रूयतासभि तिष्ठ महोसि ॥३॥

28.

Sámiddho agnir divi śocir asret pratyāññ ushásam ur-
viyá ví bhāti | éti prácī viśvāvārā nāmobhir devāñ ilānā
havishā ghrítācī || 1 || samidhyāmāno amṛitasya rājasi ha-
viṣh kṛiṇvāntaṁ sacase svastāye | viśvaṁ sá dhatte drávi-
ṇaṁ yám invasy ātithyām agne ní ca dhatta ít puráh || 2 ||
ágne śárdha mahaté saúbhagāya táva dyumnāny uttamāni
santu | sám jāspatyām suyāmam ā kṛiṇushva śatrūyatām
abhi tishthā máhāñsi || 3 ||

समिद्धस्य प्रमृत्सोऽग्ने वन्दे त्वं श्रियम् ।

वृषभो युष्मदीं असि समध्वरेष्विष्यसे ॥४॥

समिद्धो अग्न आहुत देवान्वक्षि स्वध्वर । त्वं हि हव्यवाञ्छसि ॥५॥

आ जुहोता दुवस्यताग्निं प्रयत्यध्वरे । वृणीष्वं हव्यवाहनम् ॥६॥

sámiddhasya prámahasó 'gne
vānde táva śriyam | vṛishabhó dyumnávāñ asi sám adhva-
réshv idhyase || 4 || sámiddho agna āhuta devāñ yaksīi sva-
dhvara | tvām hí havyaváñ āsi || 5 || ā juhotā duvasyátā-
gnīm prayaty ādhvaré | vṛiṇīdhvām havyaváhanam || 6 ||

Glory of adorable Lord, when enkindled, spreads lustre through the firmament, and shines widely turning unto the universal light of divine intelligence. Eastward the ladle, as if, of knowledge proceeds, that repels all sins and worries and honours Nature's bounties with homage and oblation. 1

O adorable Lord, whilst your glory enkindled, you become the king of immortals. You take full care of the offerer of the oblation for his welfare. He whom you favour, acquires universal wealth ; he sets before you, O lord, the gifts that guests may claim. 2

May you repress, O fire divine, our foes to ensure our great prosperity. May your effulgent splendour be excellent. May you preserve in concord the relation of man and wife, and may you overpower the energies of our adversaries. 3

O adorable Lord, I praise your glory, kindled and vigorously blazing. You are the affluent showerer of benefits. Your glory is well lighted at all sacred performances. 4

O adorable Lord, invoked, and your glory kindled, inspire Nature's forces to come to assist us in our holy acts, for you are the bearer of our homage. 5

May you offer worship and adoration to adorable Lord, when the sacred sacrifice is solemnized. May you offer devotion to the bearer of the oblation to Nature's bounties. 6

(२९) एकोनविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशर्चस्वास्त्य सूक्तस्य शाकन्वो गौरिर्वातिर्ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । तत्रार्चि (९) नवम्या ऋचः प्रथमपादस्त्रयोशता वा देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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व्यर्यमा मनुषो देवताता त्री रोचना दिव्या धारयन्त ।
 अर्चन्ति त्वा मरुतः पूतदक्षास्त्वमेषामृषिर्गिन्द्रासि धीरः ॥१॥
 अनु यदी मरुतो मन्दसानमार्चन्निन्द्रं पपिवांसं सुतस्य ।
 आदत्त वज्रमभि यदहिं हन्नपो यक्षीरसुजत्सर्तवा उ ॥२॥
 उत ब्रह्माणो मरुतो मे अस्थेन्द्रः सोमस्य सुषुतस्य पेयाः ।
 तदि हव्यं मनुषि गा अविन्दुदहन्निहिं पपिवां इन्द्रो अस्य ॥३॥

29.

Try àryamā mánusho devátātā trī rocanā divyā dhā-
 rayanta | ārcanti tvā marútaḥ pūtádakshās tvām eshām ři-
 shir indrāsi dhírah || 1 || ánu yád ĩm marúto mandasānām
 ārcann índram papivānsam sutāsyā | ádatta vājram abhí
 yád áhim hānn apó yahvír asrijat sártavā u || 2. || utá
 brahmāṇo maruto me asyéndrah sómasya súsutasya pe-
 yāḥ | tát dhí havyam mánushe gā ávindad áhann áhim
 papivāñ indro asya || 3 ||

आद्रोदसी वितुरं वि ष्कभायत्संविद्यानश्चिद्धियसे मृगं कः ।
 जिगर्तिमिन्द्रो अपृजर्गुराणः प्रति श्वसन्तमव दानवं हन् ॥४॥
 अधु क्त्वा मघवन्तुभ्यं देवा अनु विश्वे अददुः सोमपेयम् ।
 यत्सूर्यस्य हरितः पतन्तीः पुरः सतीरुपरा एतेश कः ॥५॥

ád ródasī vitarām ví shkabhāyat
 samvivyānāṣ cid bhiyāse mṛigām kaḥ | jīgartim indro apa-
 jārgurāṇaḥ prāti syasāntam áva dānavām ban || 4 || ádha
 krátvā maghavan túbhyam devā ánu víṣve adaduḥ soma-
 péyam | yát sūryasya haritāḥ pátantiḥ purāḥ satír úparā
 étage káḥ || 5 ||

In the admiration of Nature's forces by men, there are three lustrous faculties—(mind, intellect, spirit) and three worldly lights—(fire, lightning in midspace and the sun in heaven) that sustain the universe. O resplendent self, the vital principles, pure and strong adore you, for you are their sapient guide. 1

When, through the ecstacy of well-earned spiritual joy, the resplendent self upholds the bolt of determination, He destroys the devil of ignorance and sets the abundant thoughts free to flow. 2

And O mighty vital principles, O soul, may you both relish this well-earned spiritual joy. For the joy thus offered, helps to gain wealth and wisdom for the offerer, and thus the innerself, having experienced this joy, can conquer serpentine devil of ignorance. 3

Thereupon He sunders and firmly fixes body and mind, and, resolutely advancing, He strikes the evil mind with terror ; and then stripping off his covering, he destroys the devil, endeavouring to hide, and panting with fear. 4

When, O resplendent self, you retard the advancing rays of the Sun within, for the illumination of mind, then, for this favour of yours, all the sense-organs, one by one, pay loving homage to you. 5

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नव॒ यद॑स्य नव॒तिं च॑ भोगान्त्साकं वज्रेण म॒घवा॑ विवृ॒श्चत् ।
 अर्च॑न्तीन्द्रं म॒रुतः॑ स॒धस्थे॑ त्रैष्टु॒भेन॑ वचसा वाधत॒ याम् ॥६॥
 सखा॑ सख्ये॒ अप॑च॒तूय॑म॒ग्निर॑स्य क॒त्वा म॑हिषा त्रीं श॒तानि॑ ।
 त्रीं सा॒कमिन्द्रो॑ मनु॒षः स॑रांसि सु॒तं पि॑बद्बृ॒हत्या॑य सोमंम् ॥७॥
 त्रीं यच्छ॑ता म॒हिषाणा॑म॒घो मा॒त्री स॑रांसि म॒घवा॑ सो॒न्वापाः॑ ।
 का॒रं न वि॒धे अ॒हन्त॑ दे॒वा भर॑मिन्द्रा॒य यद॑हिं जु॒घान॑ ॥८॥

nāva yād asya navatīm ca bhogān sākām vājreṇa ma-
 ghāvā vivṛiṣcāt | āreantīndram marūtaḥ sadhāsthe traishṭu-
 bhena vācasā bādhatta dyām || 6 || sākḥā sākhye apacat tū-
 yam agnir asyā krātvā mahishā trī śatāni | trī sākām in-
 dro mānuṣaḥ sārāṁsi sutām pibad vṛitrahātyāya sōmam
 || 7 || trī yāc chatā mahishāṇām āgho mās trī sārāṁsi ma-
 ghāvā somyāpāḥ | kāraṁ nā viṣye ahvanta devā bhāram
 indrāya yād āhim jaghāna || 8 ||

उ॒शना॑ यत्सह॒स्यैर॑या॒तं गृ॒हमिन्द्र॑ जू॒जुवा॑नेभि॒रश्वैः॑ ।
 व॒न्वा॒नो अत्र॑ स॒रथं॑ यया॒थ कु॑त्सेन दे॒वैर॑व॒नोर्ह॑ शु॒ष्णम् ॥९॥
 प्रा॒न्यच्च॑क्रम॒वृहः॑ स॒थं न्य॑ कु॒त्सा॒यान्य॑ह॒रिवो॑ या॒तवेऽकः॑ ।
 अ॒नासो॑ दस्यू॒रमृ॑णो व॒धेन॑ नि दु॒र्यो॒ण आवृ॑णन्म॒ध्रवा॑चः ॥१०॥

uṣanā yāt sahasyair āyā-
 tam gṛihām indra jūjuvānébhir āṣvaiḥ | vanvānó ātra sarā-
 tham yayātha kūtseṇa devair āvanor ha śuśṇam || 9 || prā-
 nyāc cakrām avṛiḥaḥ sūryasya kūtśāyānyād vārivo yātave
 'kaḥ | anāso dāsyaūñr amṛiṇo vadhēna nī duryonā āvṛiṇaṁ
 mṛidhrāvācaḥ || 10 ||

When mighty self, in one stroke, with his determination, destroys ninety and nine strongholds of vices, obstructing light of knowledge, the vital principles, dwelling in the same body, glorify soul with melodious hymns of TRISTUBH (a metre of 44 syllables). 6

As a friend to another friend, the cosmic fire ripens the sap of three hundred fields and forests of people, and the Sun works for the destruction of widespread darkness over the three regions, celestial, interspatial and terrestrial. 7

When the cosmic fire has ripened the sap of three hundred fields and forests, and the Sun has been able to destroy the darkness spread over the three regions, all Nature's bounties express their gratitude to the Sun and offered the homage, for he has been of a great service in the struggle. 8

When, the self and the accompanying intellect, with vital and quickly-effective energies, proceed to the innermost of the wise person, the foes, are destroyed and then you, the Self, and the wise person, work in coordination, as if both sitting on the same chariot, thus the Self destroys the sinful impulses. 9

One car-wheel of the Sun, you roll forward, another you set free to move for the wise seeker, where-with He may acquire wealth and wisdom. With the bolt of determination you have confounded the noseless (shameless, or viceless) wicked impulse and the other speech-bereft foes in the struggle. 10

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स्तोमासस्त्वा गौरिवीतेर्गवर्धन्नरन्ध्रयो वैदधिनाय पिप्रुम् ।
 आ त्वामजिथां मुख्याय चक्रे पचन्पक्तीरपिबुः सोममस्य ॥११॥
 नवग्यासः सुतसोमास इन्द्रं दशग्यासो अभ्यर्चन्त्यर्केः ।
 गव्यं चिदूर्ध्वमपिधानवन्तं ते चित्ररः शशमाना अपं व्रन् ॥१२॥
 कथो नु ते परि चगणि विहान्त्रीयां मघवन्वा चकर्थ ।
 या चो नु नव्या कृणवः शविष्टु प्रेदु ता ते विदथेषु व्रवाम ॥१३॥

stómāsas tvā gauṛivīter avardham ārandhayo vaidathi-
 nāya píprum | ā tvām ṛijīṣvā sakhyāya cakre pácan paktír
 āpibaḥ sómam asya || 11 || nāvagvāsaḥ sutásomāsa índram
 dāśagvāso abhy āreanty arkañ | gāvyaṁ eid ūrvām api-
 dhānavantam tāṁ ein nárah ṣaṣamānā āpa vran || 12 || ka-
 tho nú te pári carāṇi vidván víryā maghavann yā cakártha |
 yā co nú nāvya kṛṇāvah ṣavishṭha prēd u tā te vidáthe-
 shu bravāma || 13 ||

एता विश्वा चक्रुर्वो इन्द्र भूर्यपरीतो जुनुषां वीर्येण ।
 या चित्रु वज्रिन्कृणवो दधृष्यान् ते वर्ता तविष्या अस्ति तस्याः ॥१४॥
 इन्द्र व्रतं क्रियमाणा जुषस्व या ते शविष्टु नव्या अकर्म ।
 वस्त्रेव भद्रा सुकृता वसूय रथं न धीरः स्वपां अतक्षम ॥१५॥

etā víṣvā cakṛivān indra bhūry aparīto
 janúshā víryeṇa | yā ein nú vajrin kṛṇāvo dadhrīshván ná
 te vartā távishyā asti tásyāḥ || 14 || índra bráhma kriyá-
 mānā jushasva yā te ṣavishṭha nāvya ákarma | vástreva
 bhadrá súkrītā vasūyú rátham ná dhírah svápā ataksham
 || 15 ||

May the praises of preceptors exalt you. You humble down the egoistic tendency of the intellectual snobs. An honest and strong forward devotee, sincerely ever active craves always for your friendship and you gladly accept his loyalty and affection. 11

The seekers, who have brought their nine (i.e. five vital breaths and four psychic powers—mind, consciousness, intellect and ego) under discipline and their ten (five organs of sensation and five of action) under control are entitled to adore the resplendent self with hymns. Such vigilant seekers, glorifying him, set open the door of the cave of wisdom, otherwise firmly closed and fastened. 12

How shall I serve you, O bounteous, mighty soul, knowing full well, what brave deeds you have been accomplishing. O most mighty Soul, we will also celebrate, at our sacred synods, the fresh deeds that you would do. 13

O resplendent Self, all these unique deeds you have been doing from of old by your innate energy O wielder of the bolt of determination, the subduer of evils, you always accomplish whatever you undertake. None is there to hinder your prowess. 14

O most mighty Soul, may you be pleased to accept the prayers which are now offered, and accept the new praises, which we utter. Firm, performing pious acts, and desirous of wealth and wisdom, I have composed these acceptable chants and verses, just as a craftsman carefully designs a car and as a dress-maker makes charming garments. 15

(३०) विंशं सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशर्वराय सूक्त्याविमो बहुर्जीवि । (१-१९) पञ्चमायेकादशवामिन्द्रः (१३-१५)

दादसपादितसृणाश्च कणश्वेन्द्री देवते । विष्णु उन्द ॥

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क^१ स्य वीरः को अपश्यदिन्द्रं सुग्वरं धुमिंयमानं हरिभ्याम् ।
 यो राया वज्री सुतसोममिच्छन्तदोको गन्तां पुरुहुत ऊती ॥ १ ॥
 अवाचक्षं पदमस्य सुस्वरुयं निधातुरन्वायमिच्छन् ।
 अपृच्छमन्यौ उत ते म आहुरिन्द्रं नरो बुबुधाना अशेम ॥ २ ॥
 प्र नु वयं सुते या ते कृतानीन्द्र ब्रवाम यानि नो जुजोषः ।
 वेदविद्वाञ्छृणवंच विद्वान्वहेतेऽयं मघवा सर्वसेनः ॥ ३ ॥

30.

Kvā syā virāḥ kō apasyad indram sukhāratham īya-
 mānam hāribhyām | yō rāyā vajrī sutāsomam ichān tād
 ōko gāntā puruhūtā ūtī || 1 || āvācacaksham padām asya
 sasvār ugrām nidhātūr ānv āyam ichān | āpricham anyāñ
 utā té ma āhur indram nāro bubudhānā aṣema || 2 || prā
 nū vayām suté yā te kṛitānīndra brāvāma yāni no jūjo-
 shah | vēdad āvidvāñ chṛiṇāvac ca vidvān vāhatē 'yām ma-
 ghāvā sārvasenah || 3 ||

स्थिरं मनश्चकृषे जात इन्द्र वेपीदिको बुबुधे भूयंसश्चित् ।
 अश्मानं चिच्छवसा दियुतो वि विदो गवामूर्वमुस्त्रियाणाम् ॥ ४ ॥
 परो यत्वं परम आजनिष्ठाः परावति श्रुत्वं नाम बिभ्रत् ।
 अतीश्विदिन्द्रादभयन्त देवा विश्वा अपो अजयद्दासपत्नीः ॥ ५ ॥

sthirām mānaś cakṛiṣhe jātā indra
 vēśhīd ēko yudhāye bhūyasaś cit | āśmānam cie chāvasā
 didyuto vī vidó gāvām ūrvām usriyāṇām || 4 || paró yāt
 tvām paramā ājānishṭhāḥ parāvāti śrútyam nāma bibhrat |
 ātaś eid indrād abhayanta devā vīśvā apó ajayad dāsāpat-
 nīḥ || 5 ||

Where is that hero ? Who has seen the resplendent, seated in his light-rolling chariot, yoked with his horses. He being powerful as lightning, is invoked by all. Desirous of honour, he goes to the dwelling of his admirers to offer him protection. 1

I have discovered his secret and strong place, where he dwells. I have sought the place of that Self-sustainer ; I have inquired from others ; and they the leaders, the seekers of wisdom, say, let us proceed to find the resplendent. 2

When we offer homage we celebrate, O resplendent, your mighty deeds, which you have performed for our sake. Let him, who is ignorant, acquire knowledge of these, and let him, who is acquainted with them, make them known. Hither comes the Resplendent with all his associates. 3

As soon as manifest O resplendent, you make your mind resolved. You go alone to contend against numerous adversaries. You rend asunder the rock of ignorance by your strength, and you restore the lost wisdom. 4

From the time when O super-most and supreme, you take birth, bearing a name widely renowned in for off regions, since then, even Nature's forces have been in dread of you, O resplendent. You subjugate all the streams of thoughts, which serve the impulses of evil mind. 5

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तुभ्येदेते मरुतः सुशेवा अचन्त्यर्कं सुन्वन्त्यन्वः ।
 अहिमोहानमप आशयानं प्र मायार्मिर्मायिनं सधुदिन्द्रः ॥६॥
 वि षू मृधो जनुषा दानमिन्वन्नहुन्गवा मघवन्मंचकानः ।
 अत्रा दासस्य नमुचेः शिरो यदवर्तयो मनवे गानुमिच्छन् ॥७॥
 युजं हि मामकृथा आदिदिन्द्र शिरो दासस्य नमुचेर्मथायन् ।
 अश्मानं चित्सुर्यं वर्तमानं प्र चक्रियेव रोदसी मरुद्भ्यः ॥८॥

túbhyéd eté marútaḥ suśevā ārcanty arkām sunvānty
 ándhaḥ | áhim ohānám apá āśáyānam prá māyābhir māyí-
 nam sakshad índraḥ ॥ 6 ॥ ví shú mṛidho janúshā dānam
 invann áhan gávā maghavan samcakānāḥ | átrā dāsasya
 námuceḥ śiro yád ávartayo mánave gātúm ichán ॥ 7 ॥ yú-
 jam hí mām ákṛithā ád íd indra śiro dāsasya námucer
 mathāyán | áśmānam cit svaryām vartamānam prá cakrí-
 yeva ródasī marúdbhyaḥ ॥ 8 ॥

स्त्रियो हि दास आयुधानि चक्रे किं मां करन्नवृत्ता अस्य सेनाः ।
 अन्तराख्यंदुभे अस्य धेने अथोप प्रैद्युधये दंसुमिन्द्रः ॥९॥
 समग्र गावोऽभितोऽनयन्तेहेह वत्सैर्वियुता यदासन् ।
 सं ता इन्द्रो असृजदस्य शार्कर्यदीं सोमांसः सुष्ठुता अमन्दन् ॥१०॥

striyo hí dāsá áyudhāni ca-
 kré kím mā karann abalá asya sēnāḥ | antár hy ákhyad
 ubhé asya dhéne áthópa praíd yudháye dásyum índraḥ
 ॥ 9 ॥ sám átra gávo 'bhito 'navantehéba vatsáir víyutā yád
 ásan | sám tá índro asrijad asya śakarí yád im sómāsaḥ
 sūshutā ámandan ॥ 10 ॥

These blissful vital principles sing their songs of praise and pour out devotional love to you. The resplendent with wondrous devices, overcomes guileful lurker who arrests the flow of pious thoughts. 6

O bounteous glorified by us, you assail the antagonist, with the power of lightning. You, seeking man's prosperity, crush those who have been hostile to you since your birth, and you strike the head of ever-clinging evils. 7

O resplendent, pounding the head of the ever-clinging evil, which was sounding and rolling like a cloud, you make me your associate. Then body and mind have been caused by the vital principles to revolve like a wheel. 8

The ever-clinging slave (i.e. the temptations) makes women as his weapons. (On this the resplendent thinks thus:) What will his feminine corps do unto me? The resplendent makes two of the ladies as captive, and goes forth to combat against the slave. 9

When the sacred sources of wisdom were separated from their seekers of wisdom, as calves from cows, they wondered about hither and thither; but when the well-placed devotional love makes the resplendent full of joy, he with helpers, i.e. vital breaths reunited them. 10

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यदी सोमा बभ्रुधृता अमन्दन्नरेगवीदृषभः सादनेषु ।
 पुरंदरः पपिवा इन्द्रो अस्य पुनर्गवामददादुस्त्रियाणाम् ॥११॥
 भद्रमिदं रुशमा अग्ने अक्रन्गवां चत्वारि ददतः सहस्रा ।
 ऋणंचयस्य प्रयता मवानि प्रत्यग्रभीष्म नृतमस्य नृणाम् ॥१२॥
 सुपेशमं माव सृजन्त्यस्तं गवां सहस्रै रुशमांसो अग्ने ।
 तीव्रा इन्द्रमममन्दुः सुतासोऽक्तोव्युष्टौ परितक्म्यायाः ॥१३॥

yád im sómā babhrúdhūtā ámandann ároravīd vṛisha-
 bháh sádaneshu | puramdaráh papivāñ índro asya púnar
 gávām adadād usrīyāṇām || 11 || bhadram idam ruśāmā
 agne akran gávām catvāri dadataḥ sahasrā | ṛṇameyāsya
 práyatā maghāni práty agrabhīshma nṛítamasya nṛiṇām
 || 12 || supéśasam máva sṛijanty ástam gávām sahasrai ru-
 śámāso agne | tivrā índram amamanduḥ sutāso 'któr vyū-
 shṭau páritakmyāyāḥ || 13 ||

औच्छत्सा रात्री परितक्म्या यां ऋणंचये राजनि रुशमानाम् ।
 अत्यो न वाजी रघुरज्यमानो बभ्रुश्चत्वार्यमनत्सहस्रा ॥१४॥
 चतुःसहस्रं गव्यस्य पृथ्वः प्रत्यग्रभीष्म रुशमैष्वग्रे ।
 घर्मश्चित्ततः प्रवृजे य आसीदयुष्मस्तस्यादाम विप्राः ॥१५॥

aúchat sá rátrī páritakmyā yāñ
 ṛṇameyáe rájani ruśamānām | átyo ná vājí raghúr ajyá-
 māno babhrúḥ catvāry asanat sahasrā || 14 || catuḥsahasram
 gávyasya paśvāḥ práty agrabhīshma ruśameshv agne |
 gharmaś cit taptāḥ pravṛje yá ásid ayasmáyas té.n v
 ádāma víprāḥ || 15 ||

When the loving devotion, offered by the men of mature wisdom, exhilarates the resplendent, he, the showerer of benefits, roars aloud in the struggle. So, the resplendent, the destroyer of cities, strong-holds of evils, through ecstacy of joy, restores to him his wisdom—the milk-yielding cattle, as if. 11

O adorable, the brilliant sages, giving me wisdom by four thousand hymns, have done well. We accept this wealth of wisdom, which, the liberator from debts, the leader of leaders, freely offer. 12

O adorable, brilliant sages, present to me a beautiful abode, with thousands of wise sayings. This big offering makes the Soul joyful, and then the darkness of night, the course of which was coming to an end, changes to morning. 13

The gloom-investing night ends at the appearance of liberator of debts, and changes into morning. King of the brilliant wise men, himself, O man of mature wisdom, urges onward and goes like a fleet courser, and obtains four thousand—a treasure of sacred wisdom. 14

We have accepted, O brilliant Lord the (four thousand cattle) treasure of wisdom from the brilliant enlightened sages and we receive the mental caldron the glowing offered in the solemn sacrifice. 15

(३१) एकभिर्वा सूक्तम्

(१-१३) ययोदशर्चास्य सूक्तस्यविधे अवस्युर्देविः । (१-७, ८, १०-१३) प्रथमादितन-

र्चनह्रस्वाः प्रथमद्वितीयपादयोर्दिगभ्यादिचतसृणांमेन्द्रः । (८) अष्टम्यास्त्रुतीयपादस्येन्द्रः ।

कुत्सो वा, चतुर्थपादस्येन्द्र उराना वा, (९) नवम्याथेन्द्राकुत्सो देवताः ।

त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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इन्द्रो रथाय प्रवर्तं कृणोति यमुध्वस्यान्मुधवा वाजयन्तम् ।
यूथेव पश्वो व्युनोति गोपा अरिष्टो याति प्रथमः सिर्वासन् ॥१॥
आ प्र द्रेव हरियो मा वि येनः पिशङ्गरते अभि नः सचस्व ।
नाहि त्वदिन्द्र वस्यो अन्पदस्त्वभेर्नांश्चिज्जनिवतश्चकर्थ ॥२॥
उचत्सहः सहस्र आजनिष्ट देदिष्ट इन्द्र इन्द्रियाणि विश्वा ।
प्राचोदयत्सुदुघा वज्रे अन्तर्वि ज्योतिषा संववृत्त्वन्तमोऽवः ॥३॥

31.

Índro ráthāya pravátam kṛṇoti yám adhyásthān ma
ghāvā vājayántam | yūthéva paśvó vy ùnoti gopā árishto
yāti prathamāḥ síshāsan || 1 || á prá, drava harivo má ví ve-
naḥ piśaṅgarāte abhí naḥ sacasva | nahí tvád indra vásyo
anyád ásty amenāns cij jānivataṣ cakartha || 2 || úd yát sá-
haḥ sáhasa ájanishta dédishta indra indriyāṇi viśvā | prā-
codayat sudūghā vavré antár ví jyótishā samvavṛitvát támo
'vaḥ || 3 ||

अनवरते रथमश्वाय तक्षन्वष्टा वज्रं पुरुहूत द्युमन्तम् ।
ब्रह्माण इन्द्रं महयन्तो अर्कैर्वर्धयन्नहये हन्तवा उ ॥४॥
वृष्णे यस्ते वृषणो अर्कमर्चानिन्द्र ग्रावाणो अदितिः सजोषाः ।
अनश्वासो ये पवयोऽरथा इन्द्रेषिता अभ्यवर्तन्त दस्यून् ॥५॥

ánavas te rátham áśvāya takshan tváshtā vájram
puruhūta dyumántam | brahmāṇa índram maháyanto arkaír
ávardhayann áhaye hantavá u || 4 || vṛishṇe yát te vṛishāṇo
arkám árcān indra grāvāṇo áditiḥ sajóshāḥ | anaśvāso yé
pavāyo 'rathā índreshitā abhy ávartanta dáśyūn || 5 ||'

The bounteous resplendent, the possessor of opulence, drives with a considerable speed the chariot, on which he sits. He, the foremost, proceeds unimpeded, with an intention of granting wealth and wisdom, and thus leads and commands as a herdsman drives the herds of cattle. 1

Hasten to us, O Lord of speed ; be not indifferent to us. O distributor of splendid wealth, befriend us. For there is nothing else that is better than you. You have been giving life-partner to the unmarried ones. 2

When out of strength arises strength, that conquers darkness, the resplendent grants all sorts of power to the worshipper. He restores the source of wisdom from the interior of obstructing walls, and dissipates the enveloping darkness with light. 3

O resplendent, dear to all, the divine artisans fabricate your chariot, and yoke to it the befitting horses. The ammunition technician has designed your radiant thunder-weapons. The venerable priests, have blessed the resplendent with hymns, and have encouraged him for the destruction of the dragon. 4

When the vital faculties, without steed or chariot, inspired by the resplendent overcome the devils of ignorance, they sing their praises to you, O resplendent and they were filled with ecstasy, as ~~the~~ showerer of benefits, the clouds in the midspace. 5

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प्र ते पूर्वाणि करणानि वोचं प्र नूतना मघवन्वा चकथे ।
 शक्तीवो यद्विभग् रोदसी उभे जयन्नपो मनवे दानुचित्राः ॥६॥
 तदिदं ते करणं दस विप्राहिं यद्वृद्धोजो अत्रामिमीधाः ।
 शुष्णस्य चित्परि माया अंगभ्णाः प्रपित्वं यन्नप दस्यूरसेधः ॥७॥
 त्वमपो यदेवे तुर्वशाचारमयः सुदुघाः पार इन्द्र ।
 उग्रमेयातमवहो ह कुत्सं सं ह यद्वामुशनारन्त देवाः ॥८॥

prá te pūrvāṇi káraṇāni vocam prá nūtanā maghavan
 yá cakārtha | śáktivo yád vibhārā ródasī ubhé jáyann apó
 mánave danueitrāḥ || 6 || tád ín nú te káraṇam dasma vi-
 práhiṃ yád ghnānn ōjo átrāmimīthāḥ | śuṣhṇasya eit pári
 māyá aḡribhñāḥ prapitvām yánn ápa dásyūr asedhaḥ || 7 ||
 tvām apó yádave turváśāyāramayaḥ sudúghāḥ pārá indra |
 ugrám ayātam ávaho ha kútsam sám ha yád vām uśánā-
 ranta devāḥ || 8 ||

इन्द्राकुत्सा वहमाना रथेना वामत्या अपि कर्णे वहन्तु ।
 निः शीमद्भयो धमथो निः शुधस्थान्मघोर्नो हृदो वरधस्तमोसि ॥९॥
 वातस्य युक्तान्सुयुजश्चिदश्वान्कविश्चिदेषो अजगन्नवस्युः ।
 विश्वे ते अत्र मरुतः सर्वाय इन्द्र ब्रह्माणि तविषीमवर्धन् ॥१०॥

indrākutsā váhamānā ráthenā vām átyā
 āpi kárṇe vahantu | nīḥ shīm adbhyó dhámatho nīḥ sha-
 dhásthān maghóno hṛidó varathas támānsi || 9 || vátasya
 yuktán suyújaḥ eid áśvān kavīḥ eid eshó ajagann ava-
 syúḥ | víṣve te átra marútaḥ sákhāya indra bráhmāṇi tá-
 vishīm avardhan || 10 ||

I celebrate, O powerful resplendent your old achievements, and those which you have newly attained. O wielder of the will-power, subjugating both mind and body, you have distributed the wonderfully bountiful enjoyments to man. 6

Handsome and sagacious resplendent, this is your achievement. Just as the Sun to clouds, having slain evil, you have here displayed your vigour. You arrest and slay the devices of sinful tendency. During the struggle you get victory over the indisciplined. 7

You, resplendent, even from afar render the rushing thoughts agreeable to hard-working and strong men. You two, the resplendent and intellect, assail the fierce petty tendencies, and you convey the pious man of intelligence to his dwelling. Therefore, men of genius and the divines honour you both. 8

May your speedy senses bring you both, O resplendent and intellect, to the struggle riding in one chariot. You expel sin from thoughts, from his proper abode, and chase away the darkness of ignorance from the heart of the affluent adorer. 9

The sage gets control over senses. Swift as wind, just as a horseman over his docile horses. Here are the vital faculties, your dear companions, whose prayers augment your vigour. 10

॥३१॥ सूरश्रिद्धं परितक्स्थायां पूर्वं करदुपरं जूजुवांसम् ।
 भरच्चकमेतंशः सं रिणानि पुरो दधत्सन्निप्यति क्रतुं नः ॥११॥
 आयं जना अभिचक्षे जगामेन्द्रः सखायं सुतसोममिच्छन् ।
 वदन्मावाव वेदिं भ्रियते यस्य जीरमध्वर्यवश्चरन्ति ॥१२॥
 ये चाकनन्त चाकनन्त नू ते मनी अमृत मो ते अंह आरन् ।
 वायन्वि वय्यंरुत तेषु धेह्योजो जनेषु येषु ते स्वाम ॥१३॥

sūraś cid rātham páritakmyāyām pūrvam karad ūpa-
 ram jūjuvānsam | bhārac cakrām étaśaḥ sām riṇāti puró
 dādhat sanishyati krátum naḥ || 11 || áyam janā abhicákshhe
 jagāméndraḥ sákhāyam sutásomam icchán | vādan grāvāva
 védim bhriyāte yasya jīram adhvaryávaś cāranti || 12 || yé
 cākánanta cākánanta nú té mártā amṛita mó té ánha áran |
 vāvandhí yájyūñr utá téśbū dhehy ójo jáneshu yéshu te
 syāma || 13 ||

(३२) दार्मिकं मूलम्

(१-१२) इदमर्थस्यास्य सूक्तस्याप्येवो मातृकैः । इन्द्रो देवता । विशुप् छन्दः ॥

॥३२॥ अर्ददुरुत्समसृजो वि स्वानि त्वमर्णवान्बद्धधानौ अरम्णाः ।
 महान्तमिन्द्र पर्वतं वि यदः सृजो वि धारा अव दानवे हन् ॥१॥
 त्वमुत्सां क्रतुभिर्बद्धधानौ अरंह ऊधः पर्वतस्य वज्रिन ।
 अहिं चिदुग्र प्रयुतं शयानं जघन्वा इन्द्र तर्विपीमधत्थाः ॥२॥

32.

Ádardar útsam ásrijo ví khāni tvām arṇavān badba-
 dhānāñ aramṇāḥ | mahāntam indra párvatam ví yád váḥ
 srijo ví dhārā áva dānavām han || 1 || tvām útsāñ ṛitúbhir
 badbadhānāñ árañha údhaḥ párvatasya vajrin | áhim eid
 ugra práyutam śáyānam jaghanvāñ indra távishim adhat-
 thāḥ || 2 ||

He, the resplendent in the struggle, arrests even the rapid chariot of the Sun. Further he upholds the wheel of the moving universe and setting it eastward, he inspires us for active life. 11

O resplendent, men come to see you, just as they go to see a friend who has expressed devotional love. Let the creaking stones, mental and physical faculties be laid upon the altar and let the priests hasten to turn it quickly. 12

O immortal, let not the mortals, who are wishing and anxiously wishing for you, fall into disgrace and evil. May you be pleased with the pious and their sacrifice, and grant spiritual light to those men amongst whom we live, and who are particularly yours. 13

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You, resplendent self, cleave the dark forces asunder. You set free the fountains of knowledge, you liberate the obstructed streams. You open the vast cloud of darkness, and give vent to the showers of blessings, having destroyed wickedness. 1

You, O possessor of strong will-power, set free in their seasons the obstructed clouds of dark thoughts. You let flow the fountain of virtues O mighty soul, destroying the powerful serpentine evil, that lies, extended in the deep sub-conscious mind, and thus you show your vigour. 2

त्वस्य चिन्महतो निमेषस्य वधर्जघातु तविषीभिर्गिन्द्रः ।
 य एक इदप्रतिर्मन्यमान आदस्मादन्यो अजनिष्ट तव्यान् ॥३॥
 त्वं चिदेषां स्वधया मदन्तं मिहो नपातं सुवृधं तमोगाम ।
 वृषप्रभर्मा दानवस्य भामं वज्रेण वज्री नि जघान शुष्णम् ॥४॥
 त्वं चिदस्य क्रतुभिर्निषत्तममर्मणो चिदिदस्य मर्म ।
 यदीं सुक्षत्र प्रभृता मदस्य युयुत्सन्तं तमसि हृष्ये धाः ॥५॥
 त्वं चिदिस्था कत्पयं शयानमसूर्ये तमसि वावृधानम् ।
 तं चिन्मन्दानो वृषभः सुतस्योच्चैरिन्द्रो अपगूर्या जघान ॥६॥

tyāśya ein mahatō nīr mrigāśya vādhar jaghāna
 tāvishībhīr indrah | yā ēka īd apratīr mānyamāna ād asmād
 anyō ajanishṭa tāvyān || 3 || tyām cid eshām svadhāyā mā-
 dantam mihō nāpātam suvrīdham tamogām | vṛishapra-
 bharmā dānavāśya bhāmam vājreṇa vajrī nī jaghāna śu-
 shṇam || 4 || tyām cid asya krātubhir nīshattam amarmāṇo
 vidād īd asya mārma | yād īm sukshatra prābhṛitā māda-
 sya yūyutsantam tāmasi harmyé dhāh || 5 || tyām cid itthā
 katpayām śāyānam asūryé tāmasi vāvṛidhānām | tāṁ ein
 mandānō vṛishabhāh sūtasyoceair indro apagūryā jaghāna
 || 6 ||

॥३॥ उद्यदिन्द्रेः महते दानवाय वधुर्धमिष्ट सहो अप्रतीतम् ।
 यदीं वज्रस्य प्रभृती ददाभ विश्वस्य जन्तोरधमं चकार ॥७॥
 त्वं चिदेषां मधुपं शयानमसिन्यं वज्रं महाददुग्रः ।
 अपादमत्रं महुता वधेन नि दुर्योण आवृणक्ष्वप्रवाचम् ॥८॥

ūd yād indro mahatē dānavāya vādhar yāmisṭa sāho
 apratītam | yād īm vājrasya prābhṛitau dadābha vīśvasya
 jantōr adhamām cakāra || 7 || tyām cid ārṇam madhupām
 śāyānam asinvām vavṛām māhy ādad ugrāh | apādām atrām
 mahatā vadhēna nī duryonā āvṛiṇaṇ mṛidhrāvācam || 8 ||

The inner self, by his prowess, annihilates the weapon even of that mighty beast, from whom another yet more powerful, conceiving himself one and unmatched, is generated. 3

The wielder of the bolt of determination, the clearer of the evil-intentions, smiles with his bolt and destroys the wrath fire of the wicked, the mighty exploiter and his waring strength, couched in darkness, who has been exhilarating himself with the food of these living creatures. 4

(O resplendent Soul), you discover the secret vital part of the vicious wicked, who thinks himself invulnerable, when, O powerful protector in the exhilaration of the spiritual joy, you detect him preparing for a struggle in his dark abode. 5

The soul, the showerer of blessings, exhilarated through the ecstasy of spiritual joy, uplifting his thunderbolt destroys him, who swells there huge in dimensions, sleeping and thriving in sunless darkness. 6

When resplendent self uplifts irresistible will-power against the mighty devil, and when he subdues him with his bolt of determination, he makes him lowest of all living creatures. 7

The mighty self seizes upon that restless flood of wicked-forces, an insatiable devil drinker of the sweet liquor, enveloper (of the world), and then with his great weapon, in his dwelling, crushes him, who is footless, measureless, and evil-speaking ogre. 8

को अस्व शुष्मं तविषीं वरात एको धनां भरते अप्रतीतः ।
 इमे चिदस्य जयसो नु देवी इन्द्रस्योजसो भियमा जिहाते ॥९॥
 न्यसो देवी स्वधितिर्जिहीत इन्द्राय गानुर्हृतीव येमे ।
 सं यदोजो युवते विश्वमाभिरनु स्वधाते क्षितयो नमन्त ॥१०॥
 एकं नु त्वा सत्पतिं पाञ्चजन्यं जातं शृणोमि यशसं जनैषु ।
 तं मे जगृभ आशसो नविष्टं दोषा वस्तोर्हवमानास इन्द्रम् ॥११॥
 एवा हि त्वामृतुधा यातयन्तं मघा विप्रेभ्यो ददतं शृणोमि ।
 किं ते ब्रह्माणो गृहते सखायो ये त्वाया निदधुः काममिन्द्र ॥१२॥

kó

asya śúshmam távishīm varāta éko dhānā bharate apratī-
 tah | imé cid asya jráyaso nú deví índrasyaújaso bhiyāsā
 jihāte || 9 || ny āsmai deví svádhitir jibhita índrāya gātúr
 usatīva yeme | sām yád ójo yuváte víśvam ābhír ānu sva-
 dh...ne kshítāyo namanta || 10 || ékam nú tvā sátpatim
 pāñcajanyaṃ jātām śṛṇomi yaśasaṃ jáneshu | tám me ja-
 grībhra āśaso návishtāṃ doṣhā vāstor bhavamānāsa índram
 || 11 || evā hí tvám rituthā yātáyantam maghā víprebhyo
 dádatam śṛṇómi | kíṃ te brahmāṇo grīhate sákhāyo yé
 tvāyā nidadhúḥ kāmam indra || 12 ||

(३३) षष्ठ्यां सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्वस्यास्य सूक्तस्य श्रावण्यः संवत्स्रः ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥ महिं महे तवसे दीधे नृनिन्द्रयित्था तवसे अतव्यान् ।
 यो अस्मै सुमतिं वाजसतौ स्तुतो जनै समर्यश्चिकेत ॥१॥

33.

Máhi mahé tavase dídhye nrīn índrayetthā tavase áta-
 vyān | yó asmai sumatīm vājasātau stutó jáne samaryāś ci-
 kēta || 1 ||

Who may arrest his strength or resist his vigour ? Verily alone and irresistible, He bears off all the riches. Even these two (physical and mental faculties), through the fear retire and submit to the supremacy of the fast-approaching Soul. 9

Even the divine, and self-sustaining powers of intellect and mind bow before the potent self, and the body resigns to the Soul like a loving wife. As he shares his vigour with all of them, men straightaway offer reverence to him. 10

Verily, I hear that you from the very birth are supreme Lord, the protector of the good, and friendly to the five people, the five senses. May all, representing their wishes and uttering praises propitiate the resplendent self—evening and morning. 11

So, too, I hear of you that you favour and readily enrich the learned from season to season on their approach. But what do your loyal friends and those who rest their hopes in you receive, O Soul ? 12

Feeble as I am, I offer praise to the great and vigorous resplendent Lord for granting strength to all these people. He, with his band, shows favour to these brave people, interested in struggle against evils. 1

स त्वं न इन्द्र धियसानो अर्केर्हरीणां वृषन्वोक्त्रमश्रेः ।
 या इत्या मघवन्ननु जोषं वक्षो अभि प्रायः संति जनान् ॥२॥
 न ते ते इन्द्राभ्यश्मदृष्यायुक्तासो अब्रह्मता यदसन ।
 निष्ठा रथमधि तं वज्रहस्ता रश्मि देव यमसे स्वश्वः ॥३॥
 पुरु वत्त इन्द्र सन्वयथा गवे चकथोर्वरांसु युष्वन् ।
 तनक्षे सूर्याय चिदोक्सि स्वे वृषां समन्तु दासस्य नाम चित् ॥४॥
 वयं ते ते इन्द्र ये च नरः गर्धी जज्ञाना याताश्च रथाः ।
 आस्माद्भगस्यादहि जुष्म मन्वा भगो न हव्यः प्रभूयेषु चारुः ॥५॥

sá tvám na indra dhiyasāno arkaír hárīṇām vṛi-
 shan yóktram aśreḥ | yá itthá maghavann ánu jósham vá-
 ksho abhí práryáḥ sakshi jánān || 2 || ná té ta indrābhy
 āsmád ṛishváyuktāso abrahmatā yád āsan | tíshtṥhā rátham
 ádhi tām vajrabastá raṣmīm deva yamase sváśvaḥ || 3 ||
 purú yát ta indra sánty ukthá gáve cakáarthorvárāsu yú-
 dhyān | tatakshe sūryāya cid ókasi své vṛishā samātsu dā-
 sāsya náma cit || 4 || vayám té ta indra yé ca náraḥ śár-
 dho jajñāná yātāḥ ca ráthāḥ | āsmāñ jagamyād abīṣushma
 sátvā bhágo ná hávyāḥ prabhṛithéshu cáruh || 5 ||

॥३॥ पृषक्षेप्यमिन्द्र त्वे ह्योजो नृम्णानि च नृतमानो अमर्तः ।
 स न एनीं वसवानो रयिं दाः प्रायः स्तुषे तुविमघस्य दानम् ॥६॥
 एवा न इन्द्रोतिभिस्व पाहि गृणतः शूर कारुन् ।
 उत त्वचं ददन्तो वाजसातो पिप्रीहि मधुः सुषुतस्य चारोः ॥७॥

paprikshényam indra tvé hy ójo nṛimṇāni ca nṛitāmāno
 ámartāḥ | sá na énīm vasavāno rayīm dāḥ práryá stushe
 tuvimaghásya dánam || 6 || evá na indrotíbhīr ava páhí grī-
 ṇatāḥ śūra kārūn | utá tvācam dádato vájasātau piprihí
 mádhvaḥ súshutasya cároh || 7 ||

O resplendent Lord, showerer of blessings, you are delighted when adored through sacred hymns. May you be pleased to fasten the traces of horses and drive hither to assist us in a victory over your hostile people. 2

O resplendent Lord, those persons do not deserve your favour, who differing from us, have no faith in you through their ignorance. O the wielder of adamant will-power, ascend this chariot, and hold the reins, O Lord, of your noble horses. 3

In as much as, O resplendent these praises are offered to you, may you make our fields fertile with a free supply of unobstructed water of wisdom. You are radiant like the sun and in your own dwelling, may you destroy the name of the darkness of nescience, the devil slave in battle. 4

O resplendent self, we are yours, and yours are they, who are the leaders, confident of their strength, and whose energy is directed to you. O resplendent, capable of destroying the evil darkness, splendid in struggles, and easy to be invoked, may you, come to us and likewise come with all your riches. 5

O resplendent Lord, glorious is your strength ; you are immortal, and enwrap the world with light. May you give us splendid riches. I shall always greatly praise the munificence of the opulent Lord (as you are). 6

Thus favour us, O resplendent Lord, with your succour and protect the singers who chant your praises. May you be friendly to those who offer fully-dedicated love of ecstasy that yields a defensive covering in struggles. 7

उत ते मा पौरुकुत्स्यस्य सुरेभ्यस्त्रास्योहिरणिनो रराणाः ।
 वहन्तु मा दश इयेतामो अस्य गैरिक्षितस्य क्रतुभिर्नु संश्रे ॥८॥
 उत ते मा मारुताश्वस्य शोणाः कर्त्वामघासो विदथस्य रातो ।
 सहस्रा मे च्यवतानो ददान आनूकमर्यो वपुषे नार्चन् ॥९॥
 उत ते मा ध्वन्यस्य जुष्टो लक्ष्मण्यस्य सुरुचो यतानाः ।
 मक्ता रायः संवरणस्य ऋषेर्व्रजं न गावः प्रयता अपि गमन् ॥१०॥

utā tyé mā paurukutsyā-
 sya sūrés trasádasyor hiraṇīno rārāṇāḥ | vāhantu mā dāsa
 syétāso asya gairikshitāsyā krátubhir nú saṣce || 8 || utā
 tyé mā mārutāśvasya śōṇāḥ krátvāmaghāso vidáthasya rā-
 tāu | sahāsrā me cyávatāno dādāna ānūkām aryó vāpushe
 náreat || 9 || utā tyé mā dhvanyāsyā júshtā lakshmanyāsyā
 surúco yātānāḥ | mahná rāyāḥ saṁvárāṇasya řisher vrajām
 ná gāvaḥ práyatā āpi gman || 10 ||

(३४) चतुर्विंशो सूक्तम्

(१-९) नवर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य प्राजापत्यः संवरण ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-८) प्रथमाष्टर्चा जगती.

(९) नवम्याथ विष्टु चन्दसी ॥

॥३॥ अजातशत्रुमजरा स्वर्च्यनु स्वधामिता दुस्मर्मीयते ।
 सुनोतन पचन् ब्रह्मवाहसे पुरुष्टुताय प्रतरं दधातन ॥१॥
 आ यः सोमेन जठरमपिप्रतामन्दत मधवा मध्वो अन्वसः ।
 यदी मृगाय हन्तये महावधः सहस्रभृष्टिमुशना वधं यमत् ॥२॥

34.

Ājātaṣatrum ajārā svārvaty ānu svadhāmitā dasmām
 iyate | sunótana pácata bráhmavāhase purushtutāya prata-
 rām dadhātana || 1 || á yāḥ sōmena jathāram āpipratāman-
 data maghāvā mádhvo āndhasaḥ | yád im mṛigāya hántave
 mahāvadhāḥ sahāsrabhrīṣṭīm uśānā vadhām yāmat || 2 ||

May those ten (five sense organs and five vital breaths) resplendent in their brightness, the gift of those whom the devils fear, exceedingly brilliant and wise, occupying highest places, carry me for the fulfilment of my assigned duties. 8

And may we also be the possessors of powerful, well-actioned, swift transport vehicles, yoked with wind-like horses, and constructed in well-reputed workshops, and may we also receive the gift of thousands of treasures from generous sources, and further may we get ample dresses and decorations for our fighting soldiers. 9

Or, may the bright and dynamic steeds (transport motors) be bestowed upon me by experts and from the concerns well-known for their supreme quality; and may we be the possessors of riches endowed with generosity. And may all these proceed to reliable experts, like cows to their stalls. 10

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The undecaying, heavenly, unlimited offering goes to the one (resplendent) who is not born and who is the performer of wondrous deeds. Therefore press-out (the medicinal herbs), prepare, cook and dress, and offer oblation to him, who is the acceptor of prayer, and who is glorified by many. 1

The bounteous, who fills his heart with spiritual bliss, and is exhilarated by experiencing the sweet celestial elixir, lifts up his mighty thousand-fold adamant will-power, desiring to lay down the monstrous of wickedness. 2

यो अस्मै ग्रंस उत वा य ऊधन्ति सोमं सुनोति भवन्ति द्युमाँ अह ।
 अपाप शक्रस्तनुष्टिमूहति तनूशुभ्रं मघवा यः कवास्रवः ॥३॥
 यस्यावेधीत्पितरं यस्य मातरं यस्य शक्रो भ्रानरं नातं ईषते ।
 वेतीदस्य प्रयता यत्करो न कित्विषादीषते वस्य आकरः ॥४॥
 न पशमिदंशमिर्वष्ट्यारभं नासुन्यता सचते पुष्यता चन ।
 जिनाति वेदमुया हन्ति वा धुनिरा देवसु भजति गोमति व्रजे ॥५॥

yó asmai ghraṇsá utá vā yá údhani sōmaṃ sunóti bhávati
 dyumáñ áha | ápāpa śakráś tatanúshṭim ūhati tanúsubhram
 maghávā yáh kavāsakháh || 3 || yásyáavadhít pitáram yásya
 mātáram yásya śakró bhrátaram náta ishate | vétíd v asya
 práyatā yatamkaró ná kílbishād ishate vásva ákaráh || 4 ||
 ná pañeábhír daśábhír vashty árábham násunvatā sacate
 púshyatā caná | jináti véd amuyá hánti vā dhúnir á de-
 vayúni bhajati gómati vrajé || 5 ||

॥५॥ विन्वक्ष्णः समृते चक्रमासजोऽसुन्यतो विष्णुः सुन्यतो वृधः ।
 इन्द्रो विश्वस्य दमिता विभीषणो यथावशं नयति दासमार्यः ॥६॥
 समीं पणेरजति भोजनं मुषे वि दाशुषे भजति सूनरं वसु ।
 दुर्गे चन ध्रियते विश्व आ पुरु जनो यो अस्य तविषिमनुकुधत् ॥७॥
 स यजनौ सुधनौ विश्वशधसावेदिन्द्रो मघवा गोषु शुभ्रिषु ।
 युजं ह्यन्यमकृत प्रवेपन्पुदीं गव्यं सृजते सर्वभिर्धुनिः ॥८॥

vitvákshañah sámritau cakramāsajó 'sunvato víshuṇah
 sunvató vṛidháh | índro víśvasya damitá vibhíṣhaṇo yathā-
 vaśám nayati dásam áryah || 6 || sám im pañér ajati bhó-
 janam mushé ví dāśúshe bhajati sūnáram vásu | durgé
 caná dhriyate víśva á purú jáno yó asya távishīm ácukru-
 dhat || 7 || sám yáj jánau sudhánau víśvāśardhasāv áved ín-
 dro maghávā góshu śubhríshu | yújam hy ányám ákṛita
 pravepany úd im gávyaṃ sṛijate sátvabhir dhúniḥ || 8 ||

Illustrious is the man who expresses devotional love to that bounteous, by day or by night. The supra-powerful Lord is the friend of sages, but He disregards the man, who suffers from vanity and family snobs. 3

The supra-powerful Lord does not necessarily disfavour the one, whose father, mother, or brother he has punished (for justifiable reasons) and is willing to accept his devotions and offerings. He is the upholder (of justice). The Lord, the bestower of riches, does not subscribe to the sins. 4

He places no impediments in the normal functions of the five sense organs or ten vital breaths. He does not associate with the man who performs not the benevolent acts, though prospering well. The terrifier of foes, however, punishes or destroys the wicked. But, to the virtuous, he gives a cattle-farm in reward. 5

Exceedingly strong in struggles, he accelerates the wheels of his chariot, and turns away from him who offers no prayer. He, however, augments him who prays. The resplendent Lord is the subduer of all, and formidable, and He keeps the undisciplines under His full control. 6

He proceeds to confiscate the wealth of the avaricious and bestows precious riches to His faithful devotee. A man, who provokes the mighty to indignation, dares not stand secure even in his wide stronghold. 7

When the resplendent Lord, the opulent, discriminates between two wealthy persons fighting amongst themselves over the precious knowledge, he chooses one of them on merits, and frightens the other one. He takes the meritorious one as his close ally, and associated with the vital faculties, bestows wisdom upon him. 8

सहस्रसामाभिर्विशि गुणीषि शत्रिमस उपमां केतुमयः ।
तस्मा आपः संयतः पीपयन्त तस्मिन्क्षत्रममेवत्वेषमस्तु ॥९॥

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hasrasām āgniveṣim grīṇiṣhe śātrim agna upamāṁ ketúm
aryāḥ | tasmā āpaḥ samyātaḥ pīpayanta tāsmin kshatrām
ānavat tveshām astu || 9 ||

(३५) पञ्चविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टर्वेद्यास्य सूक्तस्याङ्गिरसः प्रभूवसुर्ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-७) प्रथमादिसप्तचमनुष्टुप्,
(८) अष्टम्याश्च पाङ्क्तिरष्टन्दसी ॥

॥५॥

यस्ते साधिशोऽवस इन्द्र क्रतुष्टमा भर ।
अग्मभ्यं चर्षणीसहं सस्ति वाजेषु दुष्टरम् ॥१॥
यदिन्द्र ते चतस्रो यच्छूर सन्ति तिस्रः ।
यद्वा पञ्च क्षितीनामवस्तसु न आ भर ॥२॥
आ तेऽवो वरेण्यं वृषन्तमस्य हूमाहे ।
वृषजृतिर्हि जज्ञिष आभूभिरिन्द्र तुर्वणिः ॥३॥
वृषा ह्यसि राधसे जज्ञिषे वृष्णि ते शवः ।
स्वक्षत्रं ते धृषन्मनः सवाहमिन्द्र पौंस्यम् ॥४॥
त्वं तमिन्द्र मर्त्यममित्रयन्तमद्रिवः ।
सर्वरथा शतक्रतो नि याहि शवसस्पते ॥५॥

35.

Yás te sādhishtó 'vasa indra krátush tám á bhara |
asmábhyam carshaṇísáham sásnim vájeshu dushtáram || 1 ||
yád indra te cátasro yác chūra santi tisráḥ | yád vā páñca
kshitínám ávas tát sú na á bhara || 2 || á té 'vo várenyam
vrīshantamasya hūmahe | vrīshajūtir hí jajñishá ābhúbhir
indra turváṇiḥ || 3 || vrīshā hy ási rádhase jajñishé vrīshṇi
te śávaḥ | svákshatram te dhṛishán mánāḥ satrāhām indra
paūnsyam || 4 || tvám tám indra mártiyam amitrayántam
adrivāḥ | sarvarathá śatakrato ní yāhi śavasas pate || 5 ||

O adorable Lord, I praise the one who is the dispeller of distress, energy-personified, and dynamic, the bestower of thousands (of blessings) and beyond comparison. May the streams of cherished desires of the devotee be acceptable to the Lord. May the devotee be favoured with wealth, strength and glory. 9

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O resplendent Lord, may you grant for our protection that of your holy and effectual power, which conquers men for us, which is invincible in life-struggles. 1

Whatever aids, O resplendent Lord, are yours, whether four (physical, vital, mental and spiritual) or three (physical, mental and spiritual), or those accorded to the five classes of men, bring them quickly all that help to us. 2

We invoke for the choicest and mightiest help of yours, O the most liberal showerer of blessings. As soon as manifest you are quick in showering of benefits, and destroying evils. May you associated with the vital principles, grant us protection. 3

You are the showerer of boons, and as such as soon as manifest, you bestow riches. Your strength is the fulfiller of aspirations. Your self-invigorated mind is firm in determination, and your manly vigour subdues multitudes. 4

O resplendent Lord, performer of hundreds of selfless deeds, wielder of the punitive justice, may you, with your all-pervading chariot's force, proceed against the mortal, who entertains hostility towards you. 5

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त्वामिदं ब्रह्मन्तम जनांसो वृक्तबर्हिषः ।
 उग्रं पूर्वापुं पूर्य हवन्ते वाजसातये ॥६॥
 अस्माकमिन्द्र दुष्टरं पुरोवाधानमाजिपुं ।
 सवायानं धनेधने वाजवन्तमवा रथम् ॥७॥
 अस्माकमिन्द्रेहि नो रथमवा पुरंध्या ।
 वयं शविष्ट वर्यं दिवि श्रवो दधीमहि दिवि स्तोमं मनामहे ॥८॥

tvām id vṛitrahantama jānāso vṛiktābarhishah | ugrām
 pūrvīshu pūrvyām hāvante vājasātaye || 6 || asmākam indra
 dusṭāraṁ puroyāvānam ājīshu | sayāvānaṁ dhāne-dhane
 vājayāntam avā rātham || 7 || asmākam indréhi no rātham
 avā pūraṁdhyā | vayām ṣavishṭha vāryam divi śravo da-
 dhīmahi divi stōm am manāmahe || 8 ||

(३६) षटविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-६) षड्वत्स्यास्य भूतस्याङ्गिरसः प्रभूवसुर्ऋषिः । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-३. ४-६) प्रथमाहिनीययोक्तयो
 शत्रुर्वादिदुष्टस्य च विष्टुः । (३) तृतीयापाद्य जगती छन्दसी ॥

॥७॥

स आ गमदिन्द्रो यो वसूनां चिकेतद्दानुं दामनो रयीणाम् ।
 धन्वचरो न वंसगस्तृष्णश्चक्रमानः पिवतु दुग्धमंशुम् ॥१॥
 आ ते हनूं हरिवः शूर शिघ्रिं लृहत्सोमो न पर्वतस्य पृष्ठे ।
 अनुं त्वा राजन्नर्वनो न हिन्वन्गीभिर्मदेम पुरुहूत विश्वे ॥२॥

36.

Sá á gamad indro yó vásūnām ciketad dátum dāmano
 rayīṇām | dhanvacaró ná vánsagas trishāṇās cakamānāḥ
 pibatu dugdhām aṁśum || 1 || á te hánū harivaḥ śūra śipre
 rūhat sómo ná párvatasya prishṭhé | ánu tvā rājann árvato
 ná hinván gīrbhír madema puruhūta víśve || 2 ||

O, the mightiest destroyer of evils, fierce and foremost among many, men with humility and purity of heart invoke you for aid in life-struggles. 6

Defend, O resplendent Lord, our life-chariot, that proceeds foremost in struggles, followed by attendants, and eagerly striving for repeated gains. 7

May you come to us, O resplendent Lord, and defend our life-chariot by your divine intelligence. May we, O mightiest one, offer oblations at the break of day, and chant prayers at dawn. 8

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May the resplendent Lord, who knows how to distribute riches from His store of treasure, come to us. May He, the bestower of riches, come as a thirsty bird who roams in the midspace and eagerly relish the elixir of our offered devotional love. 1

O Lord of vitality and vigour, may the elixir of our devotion rise to your sweet lips, as if a herbal creeper to the summit of a mountain. May we, O king, invoked by all, give pleasure to you with our hymns, as to horses with fodder. 2

चक्रं न वृत्तं पुरुहूत वेपते मनो भिया मे अमर्तगिदद्रिवः ।
 रथादधि त्वा जरिता सदावृध कुविश्रु स्तोपन्मघवन्पुरुवसुः ॥३॥
 एष ग्रान्नेव जरिता ते इन्द्रेयति वाचं बृहदाशुषाणः ।
 प्र सव्येन मघवन्वासि रायः प्र दक्षिणिदरियो मा वि वेनः ॥४॥
 वृषा त्वा वृषणं वर्धतु द्यौर्वृषा वृषभ्यां वहसे हरिभ्याम् ।
 स नो वृषा वृषरथः सुशिप्र वृषक्रतो वृषा वज्रिन्मेरु धाः ॥५॥
 यो रोहितौ वाजिनौ वाजिनीयान्त्रिभिः ज्ञतेः सचमानावदिष्ट ।
 यूने समसौ क्षितयो नमन्तां श्रुतरथाय मरुतो दुवोया ॥६॥

eakrām

ná vṛittām puruhūta vepate māno bhiyā me āmater id
 adrivaḥ | rāthād ādhi tvā jaritā sadāvṛidha kuvín ná sto-
 shan maghavan purūvásuh || 3 || eshá grāveva jaritā ta in-
 dréyarti vācam bṛihád āsushānāḥ | prā savyéna maghavan
 yānsi rāyāḥ prā dakshiníd dharivo mā ví venah || 4 || vṛi-
 shā tvā vṛishāṇam vardhatu dyaúr vṛishā vṛishabhyām va-
 hase hāribhyām | sá no vṛishā vṛisharathaḥ suṣipra vṛisha-
 krato vṛishā vajrin bhāre dhāḥ || 5 || yó rōhitau vājínau vā-
 jīnīvān tribhīḥ ṣataīḥ sácāmānāv ādishta | yūne sám asmai
 kshitāyo namantām śrutārathāya maruto duvoyā || 6 ||

(३७) सप्तमिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चमस्यास्य सूक्तस्य भौमोऽचिरकिः । इन्द्रो देवता । त्रिशुप् उन्मः ॥

॥८॥ सं भानुना यतते सूर्यस्याजुह्वानो घृतपृष्ठः स्वधाः ।
 तस्मा अमृधा उपसो व्युच्छान्य इन्द्राय सुनयामेत्याह ॥१॥

37.

Sám bhānúnā yatate sūryasyājūhvāno ghṛitāpṛishṭhaḥ
 svāñcāḥ | tásminā āmṛidhrā ushāso vy ūchān yā indrāya su-
 nāvāmēty āha || 1 ||

O wielder of the punitive justice, invoked by all, my mind trembles through dread of poverty, like a whirling wheel. O ever prosperous, bounteous Lord, may your affluent worshipper praise you promptly and abundantly, merged in devotion as if with you in your chariot. 3

O resplendent Lord, like the press stone, your devotee offers laudations to you. With your left hand, O bounteous Lord, you bestow riches, and so with your right too; be not reluctant. 4

May the effective eulogium melt you, O showerer of blessings. Your radiance is borne by actinic rays. So, O showerer of blessings, splendid in form, wielder of the punitive justice, with mighty chariot, may you defend us in struggles. 5

O cosmic vital forces, may all men bow down in obedience to that young possessor of well-known chariots, who rich in steeds gives me two dark red horses (the colourful dawn and dusk) together with three hundred and more cattle (the days of the year). 6

Bedewed with clarified butter and worshipped earnestly, the swift flames vies with the splendour of the sun. May the dawns rise without cessation for him who says, "let us offer devotional love to the resplendent Lord." 1

समिद्धाग्निर्वनवत्स्तीर्णवर्हिर्व्युक्तग्रावा सुतसोमो जराते ।
 ग्रावाणो यस्येषिरं वदन्त्यर्धदध्वर्युर्हविषाव सिन्धुम् ॥२॥
 वधूरियं पतिमिच्छन्त्येति य ई वहति महिषीमिषिराम् ।
 आस्य श्रवस्याद्रथ आ च घोषात्पुरु सहस्रा परि वर्तयाते ॥३॥
 न स राजा व्यथते यस्मिन्निन्द्रस्तीव्रं सोमं पिबति गोसखायम् ।
 आ सत्वमेरजति हन्ति वृत्रं क्षेति क्षितीः सुभगो नाम पुष्यन् ॥४॥
 पुष्यात्क्षेमे अभि योगे भवात्युभे वृत्तौ संयती सं जयाति ।
 प्रियः सूर्ये प्रियो अग्ना भवाति य इन्द्राय सुतसोमो ददाशत् ॥५॥

sāmiddhāgnir vanavat stīrṇābarhir yu-
 ktāgrāvā sutāsomo jarāte | grāvāṇo yasyeshirām vādanty
 āyad adhvaryúr havisháva síndhuṁ || 2 || vadhúr iyám pá-
 tim ichánty eti yá im vāhāte máhishīm ishiráṁ | áśya śra-
 vasyād rátha á ca ghoshāt purú sahásrā pári vartayāte
 || 3 || ná sá rájā vyathate yásminn índras tīvrām sómam pí-
 bati gósakhāyam | á satvanaír ájati hánti vṛitrām kshéti
 kshitiḥ subhāgo náma púshyan || 4 || púshyāt kshéme abhí
 yóge bhavāty ubhé vṛitau samyatí sám jayāti | priyāḥ
 sūrye priyó agná bhavāti yá índrāya sutāsomo dádāṣat
 || 5 ||

(३८) अष्टाविंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य भीमोऽत्रिकर्षिः । इन्द्रो देवता । अत्रुष्टु छन्दः ॥

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उरोष्ट इन्द्र राधसो विभ्वी रातिः शतक्रतो ।
 अघा नो विश्वचर्षणे युञ्जा सुक्षत्र महय ॥१॥

Urósh ṭa indra rádhaso vibhví rātíḥ śatakrato | ádhā
 no viṣvacarshaṇe dyumná sukshatra mañhaya || 1 ||

With kindled inner fire and heart trimmed like strewn grass, let the devotee worship and pour forth the devotions as if the juice effused from the press-stones. And may the priest chant praises, like the press-stones uttering sounds, and enjoy with his oblations as a swimmer going to a sea. 2

When the soul loves his charming wife, the wisdom, the lady fond of husband comes to the ceremony. May his car seek fame, thunder loudly, and its wheel make thousands of revolutions. 3

That prince suffers no evil in whose realm, the resplendent Lord accepts earnest devotional prayers, profusely mixed with love. Attended by faithful followers, he moves in all directions. He destroys his enemy and cherishing that name of the resplendent Lord, he guards his people. 4

He, who sings devotional prayers, composed for the praise of the resplendent Lord, attains ability to win riches and preserve. He is victorious in the struggles, present or future. Dear shall he be to the Sun, and dear to fire his devotional expressions, he offers homage to the resplendent. 5

O resplendent Lord, performer of hundreds of benevolent deeds, liberal is your munificence and extensive your bounty. So, O observer of all, and benevolent guardian, may you grant us opulence by your grace and glory. 1

यदीमिन्द्र श्रवाय्यमिषं शविष्ठ दधिषे ।
 पप्रथे दीर्घश्रुतमं हिरण्यवर्णं दुष्टरम् ॥२॥
 शुष्मांसो ये ते अद्रिवो मेहनां केतसापः ।
 उभा देवावभिष्टये दिवश्च गमश्च राजथः ॥३॥
 उतो नो अस्य कस्य चिदक्षस्य तव वृत्रहन ।
 अस्मभ्यं नृन्ममा भरास्मभ्यं नृमणस्यसे ॥४॥
 नू त आभिरभिष्टिभिस्तव शर्मिञ्छतक्रतो ।
 इन्द्र स्याम सुगोपाः शूर स्याम सुगोपाः ॥५॥

yád im

indra śraváyyam ísham śavishṭha dadhishé | paprathé dīr-
 ghaśrúttamaṁ hiraṇyavarṇa duṣṭāram || 2 || śúshmāso yé
 te adrivo mehánā ketasāpah | ubhá devāv abhīṣṭāye divāś
 ca gmaś ca rājathah || 3 || utó no asyá kásya cid dáksha-
 sya táva vṛitrahana | asmábhyam nṛimṇám á bharaśmábhyam
 nṛimaṇasyase || 4 || nú ta ābhír abhīṣṭībhīś táva śarmañ
 chatakrato | indra syāma sugopāḥ śūra syāma sugopāḥ
 || 5 ||

(३९) एकोनवत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य भौमोऽविर्देविः । इन्द्रो देवता । (१-४) प्रथमादिचतुर्नवामनुष्टुप्,

(५) पञ्चम्याथ पङ्क्तिरुच्छन्ती ॥

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यदिन्द्र चित्र मेहनास्ति त्वादातमद्रिवः ।
 राधस्तन्नो विदहस उभयाहुत्वा भर ॥१॥

Yád indra citra mehánāsti tvádātama drivah | rādhas
 tán no vidadvasa ubhayāhasty á bhara || 1 ||

O mighty resplendent Lord, golden hued, you are the possessor of widely-famed abundance, and yet it is, as extensively known, very hard to obtain. 2

O wielder of the adamantine justice, these powers, who readily obey you, are very generous, extensive and strong. You and your powers, both divinities, at their pleasure dominate over heaven and earth. 3

O destroyer of evils, may you bring to us the wealth and heroic strength with the aid of power that you possess. May you bless us with wealth, as you are keen to make us wealthy. 4

With these aids of yours, may we, O doer of the selfless acts, live under your protection ; may we, O resplendent, be safe and may we, O hero, be well secured. 5

O wondrous resplendent Lord, wielder of the adamantine justice, master of precious treasures, what wealth is meant to be showered to us, that bounty, may you, filling both your hands, bring to us. 1

यन्मन्यसे वरेण्यमिन्द्र युक्षं तदा भर ।
 विद्याम तस्य ते वयमकूपारस्य दावने ॥२॥
 यत्ते दित्सु प्रराध्यं मनो अस्ति श्रुतं बृहत् ।
 तेन दृक्हा चिदद्रिष आ वाजं दर्पि सातये ॥३॥
 मंहिष्ठे वो मघोनां राजानं चर्षणीनाम् ।
 इन्द्रमुप प्रशस्तये पूर्वीभिर्जुजुषे गिरः ॥४॥
 अस्मा इत्काव्यं वच उक्थमिन्द्राय शंस्यम् ।
 तस्मा उ ब्रह्मवाहसे गिरो वर्धन्त्यत्रयो गिरः शुम्भन्त्यत्रयः ॥५॥

yān mānyase

vāreṇyam indra dyukshām tād ā bhara | vidyāma tāsyā te
 vayām ākūpārasya dāvāne || 2 || yāt te ditsú prarādhyam
 máno ásti śrutám bṛihát | téna dṛiḥhá eid adriva ā vājam
 darshi sātaye || 3 || mánhishlṭham vo maghónām rájānam
 earshaṇínām | índram úpa prāśastaye pūrvībhir jujushe gí-
 rah || 4 || ásmā ít kāvyaṁ váca ukthám índrāya śánsyam |
 tásmā u bráhmavāhase gíro vardhanty átrayo gírah ṣum-
 bhanty átrayah || 5 ||

(४०) चत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) नवर्षस्यस्य सूक्तस्य भौमोऽत्रिंशेऽभिः । (१-४) प्रथमादितृचतुर्जवामिन्द्रः, (५) पञ्चम्याः सूर्यः,

(६-९) षष्ठ्यादितृचतुर्गणाध्यात्रिंशेऽभिः । (१-३) प्रथमादितृचतुर्जवामिन्द्रः, (४, ६-८) चतुर्थ्याः

षष्ठ्यादितृचतुर्गणाध्यात्रिंशेऽभिः । (१-३) प्रथमादितृचतुर्जवामिन्द्रः, (४, ६-८) चतुर्थ्याः

॥११॥ आ याह्यद्रिभिः सुतं सोमं सोमपते पिब । वृषन्निन्द्र वृषभिर्वृत्रहन्तम् ॥१॥
 वृषा ग्रावा वृषा मदो वृषा सोमो अयं सुतः । वृषन्निन्द्र वृषभिर्वृत्रहन्तम् ॥२॥

40.

Ā yāhy ádribhiḥ sutám sómam somapate piba | vṛishann
 indra vṛishabhir vṛitrahantama || 1 || vṛishā grāvā vṛishā mádo
 vṛishā sómo ayám sutáh | vṛishann indra — || 2 ||

May you, O resplendent Lord, grant us whatever you deem worth the wish and blessed. May we continue to be your in your boundless munificence. 2

O wielder of justice, since your generous and praise-worthy liberality is far-renowned, may you with that lofty spirit break open the stronghold of adversaries, and distribute substantial food to the deserving. 3

In the praise of the resplendent Lord, people chant ancient hymns and please Him, who is extremely rich among opulents and sovereign king among men. 4

To that resplendent Lord, must be sung the poems and hymns of praise. The sages, free from three folds of miseries, glorify Him with their hymns. He is the acceptor of praises. The three-fold free sages augment His glory through praises. 5

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Come to cherish our devotional love, which has been effused out with sincerity and integrity as the invigorating extracts from herbs by pressing stones. O showerer, the resplendent Lord, the destroyer of evils come with the showerers (the vital faculties). 1

Showerer is the cloud, showerer is the spiritual delight, showerer is the effused herbal juice. O showerer, the resplendent Lord, the destroyer of evils, come with the showerers (the vital faculties). 2

वृषां त्वा वृषेण हुवे वज्रिणित्राभिरुतिभिः । वृषन्निन्द्र वृषभिवृत्रहन्तम ॥३॥

ऋजीषी वज्री वृषभस्तुरापाद्गुप्ती राजा वृत्रहा सोमपावा ।

युक्त्वा हरिभ्यामुप यासद्वर्वाद्यार्ध्वन्दिने सर्वेने मत्सुदिन्द्रः ॥४॥

यत्वा सूर्ये स्वर्भानुस्तमसाविध्यदासुरः ।

अक्षेत्रविद्यया मुग्धो भुवनान्वदीधयुः ॥५॥

vṛishā tvā

vṛishañam huve vājriṇ citrābhir ūtibhiḥ | vṛishann indra —
 || 3 || ṛijīṣī vajrī vṛishabhās turāśhāt chushmī rājā vṛitrahā
 somapāvā | yuktvá hāribhyām ūpa yāsad arvān mādhyam-
 dine sāvane matsad indrah || 4 || yāt tvā sūrya svārbhānus
 tāmasāvidhyad āsurāḥ | ākshetravid yāthā mugdhó bhūva-
 nāny adidhayuḥ || 5 ||

॥३॥

स्वर्भानोरध यदिन्द्र माया अवो दिवो वर्तमाना अवाहन् ।

गुह्यं सूर्यं तमसापव्रतेन तुरीयेण ब्रह्मणाविन्दुदत्रिः ॥६॥

मा मामिमं तव सन्तमत्र इरस्या द्रुग्धो भियसा नि गारीत् ।

त्वं मित्रो असि सत्यराधास्तौ मेहावन्तं वरुणश्च राजा ॥७॥

ग्राव्णो ब्रह्मा युयुजानः सपत्यन् कीरिणा देवानमसोपशिक्षन् ।

अत्रिः सूर्यस्य दिवि चक्षुराधात्स्वर्भानोरप माया अपुक्षत ॥८॥

यं वै सूर्यं स्वर्भानुस्तमसाविध्यदासुरः ।

अत्रयस्तमन्विन्दन्नह्यन्ये अशकुवन ॥९॥

svārbhānoḥ ādha yād indra māyā avó divó vārtamānā
 avāhan | gūḥhām sūryam tāmasāpavratena turīyeṇa brāhma-
 nāvindad ātriḥ || 6 || mā mām imām tāva sántam atra ira-
 syā drugdhó bhiyāsā ní gārīt | tvām mitró asi satyārādhās
 tauḥ mehāvatam vāruṇaḥ ca rājā || 7 || grāvṇo brahmā yu-
 yujānāḥ saparyān kīrīṇā devān nāmosopashikshan | ātriḥ
 sūryasya diví cákshur ādhāt svārbhānor āpa māyā aghu-
 kshat || 8 || yām vai sūryam svārbhānus tāmasāvidhyad āsu-
 rāḥ | ātrayas tām ānv avindan nahy anyé āśaknuvan
 || 9 ||

As strong, I invoke you, O strong the wielder of adamantine justice, for your marvellous protective means. O showerer, the resplendent Lord, destroyer of evils come with the showerer (the vital faculties). 3

May the acceptor of simple and sincere homage, the wielder of punitive justice, the showerer of benefits, the queller of the mighty (foes), the powerful the monarch, the dispeller of darkness, the acceptor of devotional love, speedily as if mounted on courser, come down to us. May the resplendent Lord be exhilarated at the mid-day worship. 4

When, O sun, the mighty devil, the nescience, eclipses you with darkness, all creatures look bewildered like one who knows not the place where he actually is. 5

When, O Sun, you dissipate those illusions of the eclipsing nescience which are spread below the sky, then the three fold free sage, by his fourth vision (the innate instinct, beyond the physical mental and intellectual) discovers the sun concealed by the darkness impeding his functions. 6

Let not the violator, with his dread, through anger swallow me up, for I (the sun) am your true friend, O three fold free sage. May you and the brilliant venerable divine, both protect me. 7

Then the wise three fold free sage, collecting the material for sacred worship, and propitiating divine powers with praise, and adoring them with reverence, places the eye of the sun in the sky and causes the delusion of the nescience to vanish. 8

The sun, whom the demon envelops with darkness, the three fold fire, sages subsequently recover not but them is able to make his release effective. 9

(४१) एकवचनसि सूक्तम्

(१-२०) विशन्पुचस्पास्य सृक्तस्य भीमोऽत्रिर्जनिः । विश्वे देवा देवताः । (१-१५, १८-१९) प्रथमादि-
पञ्चदशार्चामष्टादशैकोनविंशोऽथ दिव्यु, (१६-१७) पौडरीसप्तदशैरनिर्गती,

(२०) विंशत्यर्थकपदा विराट् छन्दसि ॥

॥१३॥ को नु वां मित्रावरुणावृतायन्दिवो वा महः पार्थिवस्य वा दे ।
 क्रतुस्य वा सदसि त्रासीथां नो यज्ञायते वा पशुषो न वाजान् ॥१॥
 ते नो मित्रो वरुणो अर्यमायुरिन्द्रं क्रभुक्षा मरुतो जुषन्त ।
 नमोभिर्वा ये दधते सुवृक्तिं स्तोमं रुद्राय मीळहुषं सजोषाः ॥२॥
 आ वां धेष्टाश्विना हुवध्वं वातस्य पत्नन्नथ्यस्य पुष्टौ ।
 उत वां दिवो असुरास्य मन्म प्रान्धासीव यज्यवे भरध्वम् ॥३॥

41.

Ko nú vām mitrāvaruṇāv ṛitāyān divó vā mahāḥ pār-
 thivasya vā dé | ṛitāsyā vā sādasi trāsīthām no yajñāyate
 vā paśushó ná vājān || 1 || té no mitró varuṇo aryamāyúr
 índra ṛibhukshā marúto jushanta | námobhir vā yé dádhate
 suvṛiktīm stómaṁ rudráya mīlhushe sajóshāḥ || 2 || á vām
 yéshthāsvinā huvádhyai vātasya pátman ráthyasya push-
 táu | utá vā divó ásurāya mánma prándhānsīva yājyave
 bharadhvam || 3 ||

प्र सृक्षणो दिव्यः कण्वहोता त्रितो दिवः सजोषा वातो अग्निः ।
 पूषा भगः प्रभृथे विश्वभोजा आजि न जग्मुराश्वश्वतमाः ॥१॥
 प्र वो रयि युक्ताश्वं भरध्वं राय एषेऽवसे दधीत धीः ।
 सुशेव एवैरशिजस्य होता ये व एवा मरुतस्तुराणाम् ॥२॥

prá sakshāṇo divyāḥ kāṇvahotā tritó di-
 vāḥ sajóshā váto agníḥ | pūshā bhágah prabhṛithé viśvá-
 bhojā ājīm ná jagmur āśvaśvatamāḥ || 4 || prá vo rayīm yuk-
 tāśvam bharadhvam rāyá éshé 'vase dadhīta dhīḥ | suśéva
 évair auśijāsya hótā yé va évā marutas turāṇām || 5 ||

O Lord of light and bliss, who is truly devoted to you ?
May you, whether abiding in the region of heaven, or of
the vast earth, or of the firmament, protect us, and give us
physical strength and vitality. 1

May these divinities,—the cosmic bounties—like the divine
light, cosmic plasma, eternal order, the parameter of time,
the spirituality, the soul force and the cosmic vital
principles be gracious to us. And in the same way, the
other ones of one mind with benevolent cosmic vitality
accept our hymns, adorations and laudations. 2

I invoke you, the pair of twin divines, the restrainers of
desire, for the acceleration of your chariot with the
swiftness of wind. We offer praise to the worshipful
celestial ordainer as it were a libation. 3

May the divine accepter of worship come speedily to
the sacrifice as the fleetest courses rushes to the battle.
In this sacrifice may the wisest participate as priest ; and
the triple bounty, the fire on the earth, the air in
midspace, and the Sun in the heaven may also come
in concurrence (with our Lord). May the other
bounties of grace and sustenance, the protectors of
the universe also come. 4

O vital principles, may you bring wealth, comprising
horses. Let wise men acquire and preserve riches. May
the ministrant priest, the disciple of brilliant sage, be
made happy by those swift-going horses, which are rapid
in motion. 5

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प्र वो वायुं रथयुजं कृणुध्वं प्र देवं विप्रं पनितारमर्कैः ।
 इषुध्वं ऋतसापः पुरंधीर्धस्वीर्नो अत्र पत्नीरा धिये धुः ॥६॥
 उपे व एषे वन्द्येभिः शूषेः प्र यद्भी दिवश्चितयद्विरैकैः ।
 उषास्तानक्ता विदुर्षाव विश्वमा हा वहतो मर्त्याय यज्ञम् ॥७॥
 अभि वो अर्चं पोष्यावतो नृन्वास्तोष्पतिं त्वष्टारं रराणः ।
 धन्या सजोषा धिषणा नमोभिर्वनुस्पतीरिषधी राय एषे ॥८॥
 तुजे नस्तने पर्वताः सन्तु स्वैतयो ये वसवो न वीराः ।
 पनित आप्त्यो यजतः सदा नो वर्धन्तः शंसं नयीं अभिष्टौ ॥९॥
 वृष्णो अस्तोषि भूम्यस्य गर्भं त्रितो नपातमपां सुवृक्ति ।
 गृणीते अभिरैतरी न शूषेः शोचिष्केशो नि रिणाति वना ॥१०॥

prá vo vāyūṃ rathayújaṃ kṛiṇudhvam prá devāṃ víp-
 ram panitāram arkaíḥ | ishudhyáva ṛitasāpaḥ púramdhír
 vásvīr no átra pátnīr ā dhiyé dhuh ॥ 6 ॥ úpa va éshe vānd-
 yebhiḥ sūshaíḥ prá yahví divás citáyadbhir arkaíḥ | ushā-
 sánáktā vidúshīva víśvam ā hā vahato mártýāya yajñám
 ॥ 7 ॥ abhí vo arce poshyāvato nṛīn vástosh pátiṃ tváshtā-
 ram rárāṇaḥ | dhányā sajóshā dbishāṇā námobhir vānaspá-
 tīr ōshadhī rāyá éshe ॥ 8 ॥ tujé nas táne párvatāḥ santu
 svaítavo yé vásavo ná vīrāḥ | panitá āptyó yajatāḥ sádā
 no várdhān naḥ śáṅsam náryo abhíshtau ॥ 9 ॥ vṛishṇo asto-
 shi bhūmyásya gárbham tritó nápātam apām suvṛiktí | gṛi-
 níté agnír etári ná sūshaíḥ śocíshkeṣo ní riṇāti vānā
 ॥ 10 ॥

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कथा महे रुद्रियाय ब्रवामु कदाये चिकितुषे भगाय ।
 आप ओषधीरुत नोऽवन्तु द्यौर्वना गिरयो वृक्षकेशाः ॥११॥

kathā mahé rudríyāya bravāma kád rāyé cikítúshe bhá-
 gāya | āpa ōshadhīr utá no 'vantu dyaúr vānā giráyo vṛi-
 kshákeshāḥ ॥ 11 ॥

May you, by your prayers, bring him, the air-divine, here who is the fulfiller of desires, and adorable; and let him yoke the chariot. May the tender lovely and excellent copartners, as if wives, also come hither to inspire us with wisdom. 6

O mighty divine day and night, to you and to the other adorables, I present homage with prayers, delighting and explicit. May you, like two learned lady-sages, inspire mortals for accomplishing noble deeds. 7

We extol, with offerings the architect of creation, the nourisher of men, and the Lord of homes. We glorify with obeisance the goddess of speech, bestower of opulence, and also those who share opulence, the Lord of the forest, and the herbs, with the expectation that we may obtain riches. 8

May the clouds, the establishers of the world, like heroes, free moving, liberally shower their bounties on us. May the persons of authority and reliance, who are ever friendly to men, and whom we all respect, grant us fame and prosperity. 9

I glorify with unqualified praise the lightning in the clouds, the embryo of the earth-fertilizing rain, the offspring of the waters. He, who is threefold, who with might neighs loudly like a charger, when flashing through clouds with fiery hairs and withering rays, he (the lightning) consumes the forests. 10

How shall we speak to the mighty posterity of the Lord of cosmic vitality, or to the all-knowing gracious Lord, for the sake of obtaining riches. May the waters, plants, the heaven, the woods, and the mountains, whose tresses are trees, preserve us. 11

शृणोतु न ऊर्जा पतिर्गिरः स नभस्तरीयौ इषिरः परिज्मा ।
 शृण्वन्त्वापः पुरो न शुभ्राः परि सुचो ववृहाणस्याद्रेः ॥१२॥
 विदा चिन्नु महान्तो ये व एवा ब्रवाम दस्मा वार्य दधानाः ।
 वयश्चन सुभ्वः आव यन्ति क्षुभा मर्तमनुयतं वधस्त्रैः ॥१३॥
 आ देव्यानि पार्थिवानि जन्मापश्वाच्छा सुमखाय वोचम् ।
 वर्धन्तां द्यावो गिरश्चन्द्राग्रा उदा वर्धन्तामभिषाता अर्णीः ॥१४॥
 पदेपदे मे जरिमा नि धायि वरुत्री वा शक्रा वा पायुभिश्च ।
 सिपेकु माता मही रसा नः स्मत्सुरिभिर्क्रजुहस्तं क्रजुवनिः ॥१५॥

ṣṛiṇótu na ūrjām pátir gírah sā nábhas
 táriyañ ishiráh párijmā | ṣṛiṇvántv āpah púro ná śubhráh
 pári sráco babṛiḥāṇasyádreh || 12 || vidá ein nú mahānto
 yé va évā brávāma dasmā váryam dádhanāḥ | váyaś caná
 subhvā áva yanti kshubhá mártam ánuayatam vadhasnaḥ
 || 13 || á daívyāni párthivāni jánmāpaś cáchā súmakhāya
 vocam | várdhantām dyāvo gíraś candrágra udá vardhan-
 tām abhíshātā árṇāḥ || 14 || padé-pade me jarimā ní dhāyi
 várūtri vā śakrá yā pāyúbhiḥ ca | śishaktu mātá mahī rasá
 naḥ smát sūrfbhir řijuhāsta řijuvāniḥ || 15 ||

॥१६॥ कथा दाशेम नमसा सुदानूनेवया मरुतो अच्छोक्तौ प्रथ्वसो मरुतो अच्छोक्तौ ।
 मा नोऽहिर्वृष्ण्यो रिपे धादस्माकं भूदुपमातिवनिः ॥१६॥
 इति चिन्नु प्रजायै पशुमत्यै देवासो वनन्ते मर्त्यौ व आ देवासो वनन्ते मर्त्यौ वः ।
 अत्रो शिवां त्व्यौ धासिमस्या जरां चिन्मे निर्क्रतिर्जग्रसीत ॥१७॥

kathá dāṣema námasā sudānūn evayā marúto áchoktau
 práśravaso marúto áchoktau | mǎ nó 'hir budhnyò rishé
 dhād asmákam bhūd upamātivāniḥ || 16 || iti ein nú prajā-
 yai paśumátyai dévāso vānate mártyo va á devāso vanate
 mártyo vaḥ | átrā śivām tanvò dhāsím asyā jarām ein me
 nírritir jagrasīta || 17 ||

May the Lord of vitality, who traverses through cloudy heaven, the circumambrient listen to our prayers. And may the crystal clear waters, bright like marble cities, hear us, as they flow round the towering mountains. 12

O mighty cloud bearing winds, we know your ways. O charming ones, we, furnished with choicest offerings, sing your glory. May they, well disposed, come down to us, destroying with their weapons, the agitated mortals, who try to oppose them. 13

I offer adoration to the cloud bearing winds, of celestial and terrestrial origin, deserving sacred worship, in order to obtain the waters. May my joy—bestowing noble aspirations prosper, and so my songs. May our cherished rivers be full of waters. 14

My praise has been continually offered to each one. May the strong force, with her powers of perservation protect us. May the great venerable mother-earth, adored by enlightened straight-handed, possessor of benevolent treasures, confer precious things to us. 15

How may we present offerings to the liberal ones with reverence? How to adore the vital principles with present praises in a fitting manner? The vital ones are universally recognized as worthy of our invocations. May not the cloud ever contrive for our harm. May he be the destroyer of our adversaries. 16

The mortal devotee worships you, O divine powers, at all times for the increase of progeny and prosperity. Verily, the mortal devotee wins you O divine powers. Here and now, they sustain my body with salutary food. May my mother-earth keep off my old age. 17

तां वो देवाः सुमतिमूर्जयन्तीमिषमश्याम वसवः शसा गोः ।
 सा नः सुदानुमूर्जयन्ती देवी प्रति द्रवन्ती सुविताय गम्याः ॥१८॥
 जभि न इळा यूथस्य माता स्मन्नदीभिरुर्वशी वा गृणातु ।
 उर्वशी वा बृहद्दिवा गृणानाभ्यूर्ण्वाना प्रभृथस्यायोः ॥१९॥
 सिषक्तु न ऊर्जय्यस्य पुष्टेः ॥२०॥

tām vo devāḥ sumatim ūrjāyantīm
 ishama asyāma vasavaḥ śasā gōḥ | sā naḥ sudānur mṛilā-
 yantī devī prāti drāvanti suvitāya gamyāḥ || 18 || abhī na
 ilā yūthāsya mātā smān nadībhir urvāṣi vā gṛiṇātu | urvāṣi
 vā bṛihaddivā gṛiṇānābhyūṇvānā prabhṛithāsyaāyōḥ || 19 ||
 śishaktu na ūrjavyāsya puṣṭēḥ || 20 ||

(४२) दिव्यत्वारिणं सूक्तम्

(१-१८) अष्टादशर्वन्यास्य सूक्तस्य भौमोऽधिकृतिः । (१-१०, १२-१८) प्रथमादिदशर्व
 द्वादश्यादिसप्तानां च विश्वे देवाः, (११) एकादश्याश्च रुद्रो देवताः । (१-१६, १८) प्रथमादि-
 षोडशर्वानां द्वादश्याश्च त्रिष्टुप्, (१७) सप्तदश्याश्चैकपदा विद्यन्ते छन्दसी ॥

॥१७॥ प्र शंतमा वरुणं दीधितिं गीर्मित्रं भगमदितिं नूनमश्याः
 पृषद्योनिः पञ्चहोता शृणोत्वर्तृपन्था असुरो मयोभुः ॥१॥
 प्रति मे स्तोममदितिर्जगृभ्यात्सूनुं न माता हव्यं सुशेवंम् ।
 नह्यं प्रियं देवहितं यदस्त्यहं मित्रे वरुणे यन्मयोभु ॥२॥

42.

Prā śāntamā vāruṇaṁ dīdhiti gīr mitrām bhāgam ādi-
 tiṁ nunām aśyāḥ | priśhadyoniḥ pañcahotā śṛiṇotv ātūrta-
 panthā āsuro mayobhūḥ || 1 || prāti me stōmam āditir ja-
 gṛibhyāt sūnūṁ nā mātā hṛīdyam suśēvam | brāhma pri-
 yāṁ devāhitam yād āsty ahām mitrē vāruṇe yān mayobhū
 || 2 ||

O divine providers of riches, may we obtain from the mother-earth (and also the cow), invigorating and mind-sustaining food. May that liberal and gracious goddess, come speeding near us for our well-being. 18

May the goddess earth, the mother of herds of cattle, and the damsel of lightning with all streams of flashes be favourable to us. May the bright shining damsel of lightning come to us, accepting our devotion, to invest us, the worshippers, with light. 19

May the divine powers listen to our prayers for life and energy. 20

May our most sweetest song, with the deep devotion, successfully reach the virtuous, friendly, gracious, and eternal Lord. May the ministrant of the five vital airs, hear us, who pervades the dappled cosmos, and who is unimpeded and the bestower of life and happiness. 1

May the infinite and indivisible Lord accept my affectionate and delightful praise, as a mother welcomes her son. I address this inspired, bliss-giving prayer to the virtuous and friendly Lord, which he surely would love to accept. 2

उदीर्य कवितमं कवीनामुनत्तैनमभि मध्या घृतेन ।
 स नो वसूनि प्रयता हितानि चन्द्राणि देवः सविता सुवाति ॥३॥
 समिन्द्र णो मनसा नेषि गोभिः सं सुरिभिर्हरिवः सं स्वस्ति ।
 सं ब्रह्मणा देवहितं यदस्ति सं देवानां सुमत्या यज्ञियानाम् ॥४॥
 देवो भगः सविता रायो अंश इन्द्रो वृत्रस्य संजितो धनानाम् ।
 ऋभुक्षा वाज उत वा पुराप्रिर्वन्तु नो अमृतास्तुरासः ॥५॥

úd iraya kavítamam kavínām unáttainam abhí má-
 dhvā ghṛitēna | sá no vásūni práyatā hitāni candráṇi devāḥ
 savitā suvāti || 3 || sām indra no mánasā neshi góbhiḥ sām
 sūribhir harivaḥ sām svastí | sām bráhmaṇā deváhitam yád
 ásti sām devánām sumatyá yajñiyānām || 4 || devó bhágah
 savitā rāyó áṅsa índro vṛitrásya samjító dhánānām | ṛibhu-
 kshā vāja utá vā púramdhir ávantu no amṛitāsas turāsah
 || 5 ||

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मरुत्वतो अप्रतीतस्य जिष्णोरर्ज्यतुः प्र ब्रवामा कृतानि ।
 न ते पूर्वे मघवन्नापरासो न वीर्यं नूतनः कश्चनाप ॥६॥
 उप स्तुहि प्रथमं रत्नधेयं बृहस्पतिं सन्तितारं धनानाम् ।
 यः शंसते स्तुवते शंभविष्ठः पुरुवसुरागमजोहुवानम् ॥७॥
 तयोतिभिः सचमाना अरिष्टा बृहस्पते मघवानः सुवीराः ।
 ये अश्नुदा उत वा सन्ति गोदा ये वस्त्रदाः सुभगास्तेषु रायः ॥८॥

marútvato ápratítasya jishnór ájūryataḥ prá bravāmā
 kṛitāni | ná te pūrve maghavan nāparāso ná vīryam nūta-
 nah kás canāpa || 6 || úpa stuhi prathamām ratnadhéyam
 bṛhaspátim sanitāram dhánānām | yāḥ śánsate stuvaté śam-
 bhavishtāḥ purúvásur ágámaj jóhuvānam || 7 || távotibhiḥ
 sácamānā árishtā bṛhaspate maghávānah suvīrah | yé
 aśvadā utá vā sánti godā yé vastradhāḥ subhágās téshu rá-
 yah || 8 ||

Inspire him, the sagest of the sages, imbue him with the sweet devotion, and may the divine creator provide us with abundance, all attainables, benevolences, and gold and silver. 3

With a willing mind, may the resplendent Lord grant us wisdom and wealth; may the Lord of light, associate us with pious men of learning, with prosperity, with sacrificial food, and that which is acceptable to Nature's bounties and with the favour of the adorable godly men. 4

May the divine, gracious, creator, the Lord of wealth, the resplendent self, the winner of the strength of evils and also from amongst us the enlightened sages, persons strong and healthy, and distinguished intellectuals, as well as the people of immortal fame, hasten to bless our sacred performances, and protect us from calamities. 5

Let us celebrate the deeds of Lord of vital principle, beyond visibility and cognition, victorious and undecaying. Neither the ancients, O bounteous Lord, nor their successors have attained your prowess, nor any present one would attain it. 6

May you glorify the supreme Lord of universe, the first donor of precious treasure, the distributor of riches, the bestower of happiness, the burthen of every recitation and chants, and who comes laden with ample wealth to His invoker. 7

O Supreme Lord of universe, tended with your protections, men are unharmed by foes, and become opulent and blessed with descendants. The wealth of those only is blessed and meaningful who are the liberal givers of horses, of cows and of garments. 8

विमूर्माणं कृणुहि वित्तमेषां ये भुञ्जते अपृणन्तो न उक्थेः ।
 अपव्रतान्प्रमुवे वावृधानान्ब्रह्महिषः सूर्यावावयस्य ॥९॥
 य ओहते रुक्षसो देववीतावचुकैभिस्तं मरुतो नि यात ।
 यो वः शर्मा शशमानस्य निन्दास्तुच्छवान्कामान्करते सिष्विदानः ॥१०॥

visarmāṇam kṛiṇuhi vittam eṣhām yé bhuñjāte
 āpṛiṇanto na ukthāḥ | āpavratān prasavé vāvṛidhānān brah-
 madvīśaḥ sūryād yāvayasva ॥ 9 ॥ yá óhate raksháso devá-
 vītāv acakrébhis tám maruto ní yāta | yó vaḥ śámīm̐ ṣa-
 śamānáśya nínḍāt tuchyān kāmān karate sishvidānāḥ
 ॥ 10 ॥

॥९॥ तमुष्टुहि यः स्विपुः सुधन्वा यो विश्वस्य क्षयति भेषजस्य ।
 यद्वा महे सौमनसाय रुद्रं नमोभिर्देवमसुरं दुवस्य ॥११॥
 दमूनमो अपसो ये सुहस्ता वृष्णः पर्वालेद्यो विभवतृष्टाः ।
 सरस्वती बृहद्विद्योत राका दशस्यन्तीर्विविष्यन्तु शुभ्राः ॥१२॥
 प्र सू महे सुशरणाय मेधां गिरं भरे नव्यसीं जार्यमानाम् ।
 य ओहना दुहितुर्वक्षणासु रूपा मिनानो अकृणोदिदं नः ॥१३॥

tām u sṭuḥi yāḥ svishúḥ sudhānvā yó víśvasya kshá-
 yati bheshajásya | yákshvā mahé saumanasāya rudráṁ ná-
 mobhir devám ásuram̐ duvāsya ॥ 11 ॥ dāmūnaso apáso yé
 suhástā vṛiṣṇaḥ pátnir̐ nadyò vibhvashtāḥ | sárasvatī
 bṛihaddivótá rákā daśasyántir̐ varivasyantū ṣubhrāḥ ॥ 12 ॥
 prá sú mahé suṣaraṇāya medhām̐ gíram bhare nāvyaśīm̐
 jáyamānām | yá āhaná duhitúr̐ vakshāṇāsu rūpā minānó
 ákṛiṇod idám̐ naḥ ॥ 13 ॥

Take away the riches from them, who even on asking do not partake their wealth to the needy, and continue to enjoy their riches alone. May you keep them far from the sunshine, who do not perform benevolent deeds, and who, though prospering in their vocation are averse to devotion. 9

O Lord of vitality, may you send them into darkness, with wheelless chariots, who invite undesirable elements to the sacred performances of the virtuous ; and who revile those who offer prayers and belittle the wishes of those who toil to serve you. 10

May you praise him who has the sure arrow, and the strong bow, who is the Lord of every balm that heals. May you worship the Lord of cosmic vitality for a comprehensive and sound understanding, and adore the powerful divinity with salutations. 11

May we have the assistance from and good-will of generous people, persons of activity, skilled artisans, ladies of high status, and the like ; and may we derive advantage from the streams or water ways, carved out by marine engineers. May we have the blessings from the divine goddess of learning, the highly enlightened, possessing the grace of full moon night, bestowers of boons and aspirations. 12

I offer devoutly, this freshly inspired song to the great and sure protector, the showerer, who makes for us this all. In fond love for His daughter, the earth, He (the resplendent Lord) has provided this water for our use to the rivers of varied dimensions and forms. 13

प्र सुष्टुतिः स्तनयन्तं रुवन्तमिच्छस्पतिं जरितनूनमश्याः ।
 यो अब्दिमां उदन्तिमां इयति प्र विद्युता रोदसी उक्षमाणः ॥१४॥
 एष स्तोमो मारुतं शर्धो अच्छा रुद्रस्य सुनूर्ध्ववन्धूरुदश्याः ।
 कामो राये हवते मा स्वस्त्युपं स्तुहि पृषदश्वाँ अयासः ॥१५॥
 प्रेष स्तोमः पृथिवीमन्तरिक्षं वनस्पतीरोषधी राये अश्याः ।
 देवोदेवः सुहयो भूतु मह्यं मा नो माता पृथिवी दुर्मतो धात ॥१६॥
 उरो देवा अनिवाधे स्याम । ॥१७॥
 समधिनोरवमा नूतनेन मयोभुवा सुप्रणीती गमेम ।
 आ नो रयि वहतमोत वीराना विश्वान्यमृता सौभागानि ॥१८॥

prá sushtutí stanáyantam ruván-
 tam ilás pátiṃ jaritar nūnám aśyāḥ | yó abdimāñ udani-
 māñ íyarti prá vidyútā ródasī ukshámāṇaḥ || 14 || eshá
 stómo mārutam śárdho áchā rudrásya sūnūñr yuvanyūñr
 úd aśyāḥ | kámo ráyē havate mā svasty úpa stuhi prīshad-
 aśvāñ ayásah || 15 || praishá stómaḥ prithivīm antáriksham
 vānaspátīñr óshadhī ráyē aśyāḥ | devó-devaḥ suhávo bhūtu
 máhyam má no mātá prithivī durmataú dhāt || 16 || uraú
 devā anibādhé syāma || 17 || sám aśvínor ávasā nūtanena
 mayobhúvā supránīti gamema | á no rayīm vahatam ótá
 vīrāñ á víśvāny amṛitā saúbhagāni || 18 ||

(५३) विचचारिणं सूक्तम्

(१-१३) समदशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य भीमोऽविकर्षिः । विधे देवा देवताः । (१-१५, १७) प्रथमादि
 पञ्चदशर्चा समदश्याश्च विष्टुः । (१६) षोडश्याश्चैकपदा विष्टाः छन्दसाः ॥

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आ धेनवः पर्यसा तृष्यर्था अमर्धन्तीरुप नो यन्तु मध्वा ।
 महो राये वृहतीः सप्त विप्रो मयोभुवो जरिता जोहवीति ॥१॥

Ā dhenávaḥ páyasā tūrnyarthā ámardhantīr úpa no
 yantu mádhvā | mahó ráyē bṛihatīḥ saptá vípro mayo-
 bhúvo jaritá johavīti || 1 ||

May your pious praise, Oh worshipper, assuredly reach the thundering, roaring Lord of the earth, who proceeds, illuminating the heaven and earth with his lightning and impelling the clouds distributes the rain. 14

May this hymn reach up to the mighty cloud-bearing wind, the youthful offspring of cosmic vitality. My intent desires incite me to earn riches for the good of all. May every one glorify them who go to their sacred assignment speedily as if mounted on spotted steeds. 15

May our invocations reach the divine bounties on earth and in the mid-region and the forest trees, the plants, for the sake of riches. May each individual divine bounty be easily invoked by me. May not the mother earth be unfavourably disposed to me. 16

O divines, may we ever enjoy great and uninterrupted bliss. 17

May we obtain the very fresh favour of the twin divines (bounties on the earth and in the heaven) and gain their unprecedented, joy-conferring and well-guided protection. May the immortals grant us riches, brave youths and all round prosperity. 18

May the harmless speech, in different metres, like milch-cows, who hasten to their destination come to us, with their sweetness. The wise worshipper invokes the seven-metred divine speech vast and joy-diffusing for gaining ample riches. 1

आ सुष्टुती नमसा वर्तयध्वे द्यावा वाजाय पृथिवी अमृते ।
 पिता माता मधुवचाः सुहस्ता भरेभरे नो यशसावविष्टाम् ॥२॥
 अध्वर्यवश्चक्रवांसो मधूनि प्र वायवे भरतु चारु शुक्रम् ।
 होतेव नः प्रथमः पाह्यस्य देव मध्वो ररिमा ते मदाय ॥३॥
 दश क्षिपो युञ्जते बाहु अद्रि सोमस्य या शमितारा सुहस्ता ।
 मध्वो रसं सुगभस्तिगिरिष्ठां चनिश्चदहुदुहे शुक्रमंशुः ॥४॥
 असावि ते जुजुषाणाय सोमः कत्ये दक्षाव बृहते मदाय ।
 हरी रथे सुधुरा योगे अर्वाग्निन्द्र प्रिया कृणुहि हूयमानः ॥५॥

ā sushṭutī nāmasā vartayādhyai
 dyāvā vājāya pṛithivī āmṛidhre | pitā mātā mādhuvacāḥ
 suhastā bhāre-bhare no yaśāsāv avisṭām || 2 || ādhvarya-
 vaṣ cakrivāṁso mādghūni prā vāyāve bharata cāru ṣukrām |
 hōteva naḥ prathamāḥ pāhy asyā dēva mādghvo rarimā te
 mādāya || 3 || dāśa kshīpo yuñjate bāhū ādriṁ sōmasya yā
 ṣamitārā suhastā | mādghvo rāsaṁ sugābhastir girishṭhām
 cāniṣcadad duduhe ṣukrām aṁśūḥ || 4 || āsāvi te jujushā-
 ṇāya sōmaḥ krátve dākshāya bṛihaté mādāya | hāri rāthe
 sudhūrā yóge arvāg indra priyā kṛiṇuhi hūyāmānaḥ
 || 5 ||

४२१॥ आ नो महीमरमन्ति सजोषा मां देवीं नमसा रातहव्याम् ।
 मधोर्मदाय बृहतीमृतज्ञामाग्ने वह पृथिभिर्देवयानैः ॥६॥
 अज्जन्ति यं प्रथयन्तो न विप्रा वपावन्तं नाग्निना तपन्तः ।
 पितुर्न पुत्र उपसि प्रेषु आ घर्मो अग्निमृतयन्नसादि ॥७॥

ā no mahīm arāmatim sajōshā gnām devīm nāmasā rā-
 tāhavyām | mādhor mādāya bṛihatīm ṛitajñām āgne vaha
 pathībhir devayānaih || 6 || āñjānti yām prathāyanto nā
 viprā vapāvantam nāgninā tāpantaḥ | pitūr nā putrá upāsi
 prēshṭha ā gharmó agnīm ṛitāyann asādi || 7 ||

With pious praise, and reverence, I invoke exhaustless heaven and earth. May the father (heaven) and mother (earth), both sweet in speech, loving in treatment, and well-reputed protect us in every struggle. 2

Priests, who are composing sweet tunes, first offer to the wind-divine, the delightful and brilliant sweet drink. May you, like an invoker, O priestly wind-divine, be the first to accept this sweet offering, which we are presenting to you for your exhilaration. 3

The ten expressers of the juice (the ten fingers of both the hands) and the two arms of the worker, are actively engaged in effusing out the juice from the medicinal herbs, with the help of pressing stones. The exulting expert worker toils on the assignment, big as a mountain, and finally for the spiritual joy he is able to press out the sweet extracts. 4

The devotional love (like the extract of herbs) has been effused, O resplendent Lord, for your delight and for impelling your strength in action, and for your great exhilaration; therefore, O resplendent Lord, when invoked by us, put your two dear, docile, well-trained horses in your chariot, with fire axle. 5

O fire divine, being well pleased with us, bring to us, by paths frequented by the divine powers, the divine queen of knowledge, who is mighty and omnipresent, to whom oblations are offered with reverence, and who is vast and cognizant of sacred worship, to partake of the exhilaration of the sweet devotion. 6

A priest offers butter to the fire, in the same way as wise men nourish the seed and extend the realm of knowledge. The sacred caldron when placed on fire of the altar looks as if the son sitting on his father's lap. 7

अच्छा मही बृहती शंतमा गीर्दतो न गन्त्वश्विनां हुवष्यै ।
 मयोभुवा सरथा यातमर्वाग्नन्तं निधि धुरमाग्निर्न नाभिम् ॥८॥
 प्र तव्यसो नमउक्तिं तुरस्याहं पूष्ण उत वायोरदिक्षि ।
 या राधसा चोदितारां मनीनां या वाजस्य द्रविणोदा उत त्मन् ॥९॥
 आ नामभिर्मरुतो वक्षि विश्वाना रूपेभिर्जातवेदो हुवानः ।
 यज्ञं गिरो जरितुः सुष्टुतिं च विश्वे गन्त मरुतो विश्व उतो ॥१०॥

āchā mahī

bṛihatī śāntamā gīr dūtó ná gantv aśvínā huvādhyai | ma-
 yobhúvā saráthā yātam arvāg gantām nidhīm dhúram āñir
 ná nábhīm ॥ 8 ॥ prá távyaso námatūktim turásyāhām pūshṇá
 utá vāyór adikshi | yá rádhasā coditārā matínām yá vája-
 sya draviṇodá utá tmán ॥ 9 ॥ á námabhir marúto vakshi
 víshvān á rūpébhir jātavedo huvānāḥ | yajñām gíro jaritūḥ
 sushṭutim ca víšve ganta maruto víšva ūtí ॥ 10 ॥

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आ नो दिवो बृहतः पर्वतादा सरस्वती यजता गन्तु यज्ञम् ।
 हव्यं देवी जुजुषाणा वृताचीं शग्मां नो वाचमुशती शृणोतु ॥११॥
 आ वेधसं नीलेपृष्ठं बृहन्तं बृहस्पतिं सदाने सादयध्वम् ।
 सादयोलिं दम आ दीद्विवांसं हिरण्यवर्णमरुषं सपेम ॥१२॥
 आ धर्णसिर्वृहदिवो रराणो विश्वेभिर्गन्त्वोर्मभिर्हुवानः ।
 आ वसान ओषधीरमृधन्निधातुशृङ्गो वृषभो वयोधाः ॥१३॥

ā no divó bṛihatāḥ párvatād ā sárasvatī yajatá gantu
 yajñām | hávam devī jujushāṇā ghrítāci śagmām no vácam
 uṣatī śṛiṇotu ॥ 11 ॥ á vedhásam nílapriṣṭham bṛihántam
 bṛihaspátim sádane sādayadhvam | sādādyonim dáma ā di-
 divānsam hīranyavarṇam arushām sapema ॥ 12 ॥ á dharna-
 sīr bṛiháddivo rārāṇo víšvebhir gantv ómabhir huvānāḥ |
 gñá vásāna ósbadhīr āmṛidhras tridhátuṣṛiṅgo vṛishabhó
 vayodhāḥ ॥ 13 ॥

May this adoring, earnest and gratifying praise go like a messenger to summon the twin divines hither. Come O twin divines, givers of happiness, riding in one chariot. May you come down to the cherished loving devotion, as the bolt to the axle of the wagon. 8

I offer adoration with reverence to the nourishing bounty and victorious wind-divine, who both are inspirers of wise thoughts and granters of strength and of food, and also both of them are distributors of riches. 9

O omniscient Lord, invoked by us all, may you bring here vital principles, under their several names and forms. May you, O vital faculties, come with all your protecting impulses to bless our benevolent deeds, the prayers, and the adoration of the worshipper. 10

May the radiant divine speech come to bless our benevolent works from heavenly regions and cloudy-realms. May she, glittering with glory, and appreciating our offerings, eagerly hear our melodious songs. 11

May you enshrine in your hearts the Supreme Lord of universe, the creator, whose dark-blue sky is the back. Let us serve this Lord, seated in the inner chamber of our body and shining everywhere. He is golden-hued, and resplendent. 12

May the sustainer of all, (the fire divine), greatly radiant, the delighter, come with all his protecting faculties, when invoked. He is clothed with flames and with plants, and is invincible. His horns, as if flames, are of three colours (white, red and black), and is the showerer of blessings and the bestower of life. 13

मानुष्यदे परमे शुक्र आयोर्विपन्यवो रास्पिरासो अगमन् ।
 सुशेव्यं नमसा रातहव्याः गिरां मृजन्त्यायवो न वासे ॥१४॥
 बृहद्व्यो बृहते तुभ्यमग्ने धियाजुरो मिथुनासः सचन्त ।
 देवोदेवः सुहवो भूतु मद्यं मा नो माता पृथिवी दुर्मतो धातु ॥१५॥
 उरो देवा अनिवाध स्याम ॥१६॥
 समश्चिनोर्गवसा नूतनेन मयोभुवा सुप्रणीती गमेम ।
 आ नो रयिं वहतमोत वीराना विश्वान्वमृता सोमगानि ॥१७॥

mātush padé paramé šukrá āyór vipanyávo
 rāspiráso agman | suśevyam námasā rātáhavyāḥ śīsum mṛi-
 janty āyávo ná vāsé || 14 || bṛihád váyo bṛihaté túbhyam
 agne dhiyājūro mithunásah sacanta | devó-devaḥ suhávo
 bhūtu máhyam má no mātá pṛithiví durmataú dhāt || 15 ||
 uraú devā — || 16 || sám aśvínor ávasā — || 17 ||

(४४) चतुश्चत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य काश्यपोऽवस्तारो विद्वोक्तश्च क्रपयः । विश्वे देवा देवताः ।

(१-१३) प्रथमादित्रयोदशर्चा जगती, (१४-१५) चतुर्दशीपञ्चदशयोश्च त्रिष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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तं प्रत्नथा पूर्वथा विश्वथेमथा ज्येष्ठतातिं वहिषदं स्वर्विदम् ।
 प्रतीचीनं वृजनं दोहसे गिरां जयन्तमनु यासु वर्धसे ॥१॥

44.

Tām pratnāthā pūrvāthā vīśvāthemāthā jyeshṭhātātim
 barhishādām svarvīdam | praticīnām vṛjānam dohase girā-
 ṣūm jāyantam ānu yāsu vārdhase || 1 ||

The priests, equipped with all the accessories of the fire ritual have come to the bright and most excellent place of the mother earth. As men clean and wash and then deck and decorate the infant child, similarly the priests foster and take care of the new born auspicious fire with reverence. 14

Married pairs (husband and wife) getting old in their devotion, jointly offer abundant sacred oblations to you, O fire divine. May the most divine among all divine powers, be invoked by me, and may the mother earth keep no ill-thoughts for me. 15

O divine powers, may we ever dwell in your uninterrupted bliss. 16

May we obtain the very fresh favour of twin divines and gain their unprecedented joy-conferring and well-guided protection. May the immortals grant riches, sons and grandsons and all round prosperity. 17

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As ancient sages, our predecessors, and all sages of the present generation have been drawing strength by prayers of the resplendent Lord, so, may you also draw power, from Him who is the oldest and best of the divine powers. Enshrine to Him in your pure hearts, who is the bestower of bliss, and is swift and victorious. May you extol to Him by such prayers. 1

श्रिये सुदृशीरुपस्य याः स्वर्विरोचमानः ककुभामचोदते ।
 सुगोपा अस्मि न दभाय सुक्रतो पुरो मायाभिरुक्तं अस्मि नाम ते ॥२॥
 अत्यं हविः संचते सच्च धातु चारिष्टगातुः स होता सहोभरिः ।
 प्रसर्त्वाणो अनु बर्हिर्वृषा शिशुर्मध्ये युवाजरो विश्रुहा हितः ॥३॥
 प्र व एते सुयुजो यामन्निष्ट्य नीचीरमुष्मै यम्य कतावृधः ।
 सुयन्तुभिः सर्वशासेरभीष्टुभिः किविर्नामानि प्रवणे मुपायति ॥४॥
 संजभृगणस्तर्हिभिः सुतेरुभे वयाकिनं चित्तर्गर्भासु सुस्वरुः ।
 धारवाकेश्वरुगाथ शोभसे वर्धस्व पर्वाग्भि जीवा अध्वरे ॥५॥

ṣriyē sudṛṣīr ūpa-
 rasya yāḥ svār virōcamānaḥ kakúbhām acodāte | sugopā asi
 nā dābhāya sukrato parō māyābhir ṛitā āsa nāma te || 2 ||
 ātyam haviḥ sacate sacc ca dhātu cārishtagātuḥ sá hótā
 saḥobhāriḥ | prasārsrāṇo ānu barhír vṛishā śiṣur mādhye
 yúvājaro visrúbhā hitāḥ || 3 || prá va eté suyújo yámann
 ishtāye nícir amúshmai yamyā ṛitāvṛidhaḥ | suyántubhiḥ
 sarvaśāsaír abhīṣubhiḥ krivir námāni pravaṇé mushāyati
 || 4 || samjārbhurāṇas tārubhiḥ sutegrībham vayākinam cit-
 tāgarbhāsu susváruḥ | dhāravākéshv ṛijugātha śobhase vár-
 dhasva pátnir abhí jivó adhvaré || 5 ||

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यादृगेव ददृशे तादृगुच्यते सं छायायां दधिरे सिध्रयाप्त्वा ।
 महीमस्मभ्यमुशामुरु जयौ बृहत्सुवीरमनपच्युतं सहः ॥६॥

yādrīg evā dādrīṣe tādrīg ucyate sām chāyāyā dadhire
 sidhrāyāpsv ā | mahīm asmābhyam urushām urú jrāyo bṛi-
 hāt suvīram ānapacyutaṁ sāhaḥ || 6 ||

Being self-radiant, your glory spreads through the regions and through the beautiful waters of unyielding clouds for the good of mankind. O performer of good deeds, the preserver of men, you are in no way to cause injury to creatures. You excel all wisdom. Your name abides in truth. 2

He, the fire-divine, is associated with the perpetual offerings, and is the sustainer of all. Nothing restricts him, the showerer, in his way whilst gliding to the place of ceremony. He is an infant, later on ever-young, exempt from decay and rests in the midst of plants. 3

These well-combined rays of the Sun, are descending with intent to proceed to the place of the fire ritual amplifying the gains in the interests of the worshipper. Operating with these swift-moving all-regulating rays, he takes up waters flowing in low places (to heights to form clouds). 4

Object of honest eulogium, enkindled with fire-sticks, accepting devotional prayers animated by the heartfelt love, and giver of life, it shines among the inner chambers of the enlightened worshippers, and upholders of the sacred words. May you increase your protecting flames, the consorts in the sacred fire-ritual. 5

Like as it is beheld, so it is described to be. It, with its extensive splendour in the waters, makes earth yield us room enough and amply wide. May it grant us great vigour undecaying energy, and invincible strength, together with brave progeny. 6

वेत्यर्जुर्जनिवान्वा अति स्पृधः समर्यता मनसा सूर्यः कविः ।
 घ्रांसं रक्षन्तं परि विश्वतो गयमस्माकं शर्म वनवत्स्वावंसुः ॥७॥
 ज्यायांसमस्य यतुनस्य केतुनं ऋषिस्वरं चरति यामु नाम ते ।
 यादृश्मिन्धायि तमपस्यया विदुष उ स्वयं वहते सो अरं करत् ॥८॥
 समुद्रमांसमवे तस्ये अग्रिमा न रिष्यति सर्वनं यस्मिन्नायता ।
 अत्रा न हार्दि कवणस्य रेजते यत्रा मतिर्विद्यते पृतवन्धनी ॥९॥
 स हि ध्रुवस्य मनसस्य चित्तिभिरेवावदस्य यजतस्य सध्रेः ।
 अवत्सारस्य स्पृणवाम रण्वभिः शविष्ठं वाजं विदुषां चिदर्थ्यम् ॥१०॥

véty ágrur jánivān

vā āti sprīdhah samaryatā mānasā sūryah kavīḥ | ghraṁśam
 rākshantam pari viśvāto gāyam asmākaṁ śarma vanavat
 svāvasuḥ || 7 || jyāyāṁsam asyā yatūnasya ketūna ṛishisva-
 rāṁ carati yāsu nāma te | yādṛiṣmin dhāyi tām apasyāyā
 vidad yā u svayām vāhate sō āraṁ karat || 8 || samudrām
 āsām āva tasthe agrimā nā rishyati sāvanam yāsminn
 āyatā | ātrā nā hārdi kravaṇasya rejate yātrā matīr vid-
 yāte pūtabāndhanī || 9 || sā hī kshatrāsya manasāsya cītti-
 bhir evāvadāsya yajatāsya sādhrēḥ | avatsārāsya sprīnavāma
 raṇvabhiḥ śaviṣṭhaṁ vājaṁ vidūshā cid ārdhyam || 10 ||

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इयेन आसामर्दितिः कक्ष्यो मदो विश्ववारस्य यजतस्य मायिनः ।
 समन्यमन्यमर्थयन्त्येते विदुर्विषाणं परिपानमन्ति ते ॥११॥

syenā āsām āditiḥ kakshyō mado viśvāvārasya yajatā-
 sya māyīnaḥ | sām anyām-anyam arthayanty étave vidūr
 viśhāṇam paripānam ānti té || 11 ||

The creator is the foremost poet of vision, radiant like the sun, she advances with his superior conscient power. He is ever intent or combat with his adversaries in advancement. May we adore the all round illuminator of bright heavens and may he secure our entire felicity, and grant us a sheltering home, that wards fierce heat of the day off on every side. 7

Your name, sung by seers in the hymns, goes to the superior one with this swift-moving banner like luminous flame. By devotion, he wins the blessing, where on his heart is set. He, who himself stirs and strives acquires abundant riches. 8

The chief and best of these our praises proceed to the ocean—like sun ; that worship does not fail where in these sacred hymns are extended. There the heart's desire of the worshipper remains not unfulfilled where the mind is pure. 9

He verily is to be glorified. Let us with pleasant thoughts of such high values of life as the spirit of voluntary assistance, good-will, security, reverence, co-existence and safety, strive to win the super strength to be shared by everyone, wise and sensible. 10

The bird, the son of Infinity is the master of this elixir, the spiritual joy. It fills the heart with ecstasy, and as such everyone craves to have this universally covetable reverential and inspiring elixir, and all urge one another to enjoy. Everyone finds in this wonderful elixir this invigorating blissful drink. 11

सदापृणो यजतो वि द्विषो वर्धद्बाहुवृक्तः श्रुतवित्तयौ वः सचा ।
 उभा स वग प्रत्येति भाति च यदीं गुणं भर्जते सुप्रयावभिः ॥१२॥
 सुतंभरो यजमानस्य सत्पतिर्विश्वांसामूधः स धियामुदञ्जनः ।
 भरद्देतू रसवच्छिथ्रिये पयोऽनुब्रुवाणो अध्येति न स्वपन् ॥१३॥
 यो जागार तमृचः कामयन्ते यो जागार तमु सामानि यन्ति ।
 यो जागार तमयं सोम आह तवाहमस्मि सख्ये न्योकाः ॥१४॥
 अग्निर्जागार तमृचः कामयन्तेऽग्निर्जागार तमु सामानि यन्ति ।
 अग्निर्जागार तमयं सोम आह तवाहमस्मि सख्ये न्योकाः ॥१५॥

sadāpriṇo yajatō vī dvī-
 sho vadhīd bāhuvṛiktāḥ śrutavit tāryo vaḥ sácā | ubhā sā
 vārā prāty eti bhāti ca yād īm gaṇām bhājate suprayāva-
 bhiḥ || 12 || sutambharo yājamānasya sātpatir viśvāsām
 ūdhaḥ sā dhiyām udāñcanaḥ | bhārad dhenū rāsavaḥ chiṣriye
 pāyo 'nubruvāṇo ādhy eti nā svapān || 13 || yō jāgāra tām
 ṛicāḥ kāmayaṇte yō jāgāra tām u sāmāni yanti | yō jāgāra
 tām ayām sōma āha tāvāhām asmi sakhyé nyòkāḥ || 14 ||
 agnīr jāgāra tām ṛicāḥ kāmayaṇte 'gnīr jāgāra tām u
 sāmāni yanti | agnīr jāgāra tām ayām sōma āha tāvāhām
 asmi sakhyé nyòkāḥ || 15 ||

(४५) पञ्चचत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-११) एकादशर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्याऽनेयः सदापृण ऋषिः । विश्वे देवा देवताः । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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विदा दिवो विप्यन्नद्रिमुक्थैरायत्या उपसो अर्चिनो गुः ।
 अपावृत ब्रजिनीरुत्स्वर्गादि दुरो मानुषीर्देव आवः ॥१॥

45.

Vidā divo viśhyānn ādrim ukthair āyatyā ushāso arcīno
 guḥ | āpāvṛita vrajinīr út svār gād vī dūro mānushīr devā
 āvaḥ || 1 ||

A devotee in the company of such virtuous ones as are ever rich in wealth, pious worshippers, destroyer of the crooked by strong hands, fully-learned and skilful, would always destroy his enemies. Such a person would surely gain his wishes in both worlds, and would shine brightly. 12

He becomes the defender of the sons of the pious institutor of ceremony, a benevolent guardian and uplifter of all holy thoughts, the milch-cows (scriptures) offer sweet wisdom, which is distributed all over. But only he knows this who learns and speaks the holy texts, not he who sleeps. 13

The Rk hymns love him who wakes and watches; the Saman tunes also bless him, who is ever vigilant. The loving Lord also addresses thus to the man, who is vigilant, "I am yours, my dwelling in your friendship". 14

The Rk hymns love the one enlightened, who ever wakes and watches. The Saman tunes also bless the one enlightened who is ever vigilant, and to that enlightened one the loving Lord also addresses thus: "I am yours; my dwelling in your friendship." 15

The self of the realized devotee recovers the lost wisdom, praying and hurling his bolt of determination from the innermost realm. The rays of the approaching dawn are spread around the divine source of light, scattering the clustered gloom, has risen and set open the doors of knowledge of men. 1

वि सूर्यो अमतिं न श्रियं सादोर्वाद्भवां माता जानुनी गात् ।
 धन्वर्णसो नद्यः स्वादोर्अर्णाः स्यूणैव सुमिता दंहत योः ॥२॥
 अस्मा उक्थाय पर्वतस्य गर्भो महीनां जनुषं पृथ्वाय ।
 वि पर्वतो जिहीत साधत योराविवासन्तो दसयन्त भूमं ॥३॥
 सुक्तेभिर्वा वचोभिर्देवजुष्टिन्द्रा न्वग्नी अवसे हुवध्वै ।
 उक्थेभिर्हिष्मा कवयः सुयज्ञा आविवासन्तो मरुतो यजन्ति ॥४॥
 एतो न्वद्य सुध्योऽभवाम प्र दुच्छुनां मिनवामा वरीयः ।
 आरे द्वेषांसि सनुतर्दधामायाम प्राञ्चो यजमानमच्छे ॥५॥

ví sūryo amātim ná śriyaṃ sād órvād gāvām
 mātā jānatī gāt | dhānvarṇaso nadyaḥ khādoarnā sthūṇeva
 sūmitā dṛiṇbhata dyaūḥ || 2 || asmā ukthāya pārvatasya gār-
 bho mahīnām janúshe pūrvyāya | ví pārvato jīhīta sādḥata
 dyaúr āvívāsanto dasayanta bhūma || 3 || sūktébhir vo váco-
 bhir devájusṭair índrā nv àgní ávase huvádhyai | ukthé-
 bhir hí sbmā kaváyah suyajñā āvívāsanto marúto yājanti
 || 4 || éto nv àdyā sudhyo bhāvāma prá duchúnā minavāmā
 várīyah | āré dvéshāṅsi sanutár dadhāmāyāma práñco yá-
 jamānam ácha || 5 ||

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एता धियं कृणवाम सखायोऽप या मातां ऋणत व्रजं गोः ।
 यया मनुर्विशिशिप्रं जिगाय यया वणिग्वहुरापा पुरीषम् ॥६॥
 अनूनोदत्र हस्तयतो अदिरार्चन्येन दश मांसो नवग्वाः ।
 कृतं यती सरमा गा अविन्दुद्विधांनि सत्वाद्गिराश्चकार ॥७॥

étā dhīyaṃ kṛiṇāvāmā sakḥāyó 'pa yā mātāñ ṛiṇutā
 vrajām gōḥ | yáyā mánur viśiṣiprām jigāya yáyā vaṇig
 vañkúr āpā pūrīṣham || 6 || ánūnod átra hástayato ádrir
 ārcan yéna dáśa māsó návagvāḥ | ṛitām yatí sarāmā gā
 avindad víṣvāni satyāṅgirāṣ cakāra || 7 ||

The sun of enlightenment spreads his light as splendour personified. Dawn, the mother of the light, knowing his approach, comes from the spacious firmament. The rivers with running waters flow, breaking down their banks. The heaven is stable like a firm-set pillar. 2

These traditional hymns cause the burthen of the cloud to descend to fertilize the fields. The sky performs its assigned duty (and pours down the rain). The assiduous farmers tire themselves out with more work. 3

O resplendent and adorable Lord, I invoke you for my protection with God-pleasing and well composed words to obtain your favour. Preceptors excelling in academic pursuits and assiduous men also adore you with reverence. 4

Come today quickly ; may our thoughts be holy. May we cast away mis-fortune far from us. May we then keep them at distance, who hate us and hasten to meet the institutor of the sacred works. 5

Come friends, let us strive to attain that solemn purpose, wherewith the gate of (the stolen) mother-cow (the divine wisdom) could be thrown open, wherewith man could overcome evil-desires attractive in appearance and wherewith the wandering merchant could obtain his wealth. 6

At this place of work and worship, the preparation is set in motion by the hands of the priests for singing praises, whereby the progressive ministrants celebrate the ten-months worship. And when the divine intuition comes straight and discovers the wisdom, fire-priests render all the worship effective. 7

विश्वे अस्या व्युषि माहिनायाः सं यद्गोभिरङ्गिरसो नवंन्त ।
 उत्सं आसां परमे सधस्य ऋतस्य पथा सरमा विद्वाः ॥८॥
 आ सूर्यो यातु सप्ताश्वः क्षेत्रं यदस्योर्विषा दीर्घयाथे ।
 रघुः स्येनः पतयदन्धो अच्छा युवा कविर्दीदयद्गोषु गच्छन् ॥९॥
 आ सूर्यो अरुहच्छुक्रमणोऽयुक्त यद्धारितो वीनपृष्ठाः ।
 उद्गा न नावमनयन्त धीरा आश्रृष्वतीरापो अर्वागतिष्ठन् ॥१०॥
 धियं वो अप्सु दधिषे स्वर्षा यवातरन्दश मासो नवग्वाः ।
 अया धिया स्याम देवगोपा अया धिया तुतुर्यामात्यः ॥११॥

vīṣve asyā vyūshi

māhināyāḥ sām yād góbhīr āṅgīraso nāvanta | ūtsa āsām
 paramé sadhásttha řítasya pathā, sarāmā vidad gāḥ || 8 || ā
 sūryo yātu saptāśvaḥ kshétram yād asyorviyā dirghayāthé |
 raghúḥ syenāḥ patayad ándho ácbā yúvā kavír dīdayad
 góshu gáchan || 9 || ā sūryo aruhac chukráṁ árṇó 'yukta
 yād dharíto vītáprishṭhāḥ | udnā ná nāvam anayanta dhírā
 āśṛiṇvatír āpo arvāg atishṭhan || 10 || dhíyaṁ vo apsú da-
 dhishe svarshám yáyátaran dáśa māsó nāvagvāḥ | ayā
 dhiyā syāma devágopā ayā dhiyā tuturyāmāty ánhah
 || 11 ||

(४६) पदचन्वारितं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अहर्चस्यास्य सूतस्याभियः प्रतिशत्र ऋषिः । (१-९) प्रथमादिपदुपां विश्वे देवाः,

(७-८) सप्तम्यष्टम्योश्च देवपन्धो देवताः । (१. ३-७) प्रथमर्चसूतीपादिपञ्चानाञ्च

जगती, (२. ८) द्वितीयाष्टम्योश्च विष्टुप छन्दसी ॥

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हयो न विद्वाँ अयुजि स्वयं धुरि तां वहामि प्रतरणीमवस्युवम् ।
 नास्या वशिम विमुचुं नावृतं पुनर्विद्वान्पथः पुरएत ऋजु नेपति ॥१॥

46.

Háyo ná vidvāñ ayuji svayám dhurí tām vahāmi pra-
 táraṇīm avasyúvam | násyā vaṣmi vimúcam nāvṛítam pú-
 nar vidvān pathāḥ puraetá řijú neshati || 1 ||

When the fire-priests on the opening of this adorable dawn, could recover the lost cattle (the lost wisdom) they milched the cows and distributed the milk (the spiritual joy) to the august assembly, for intuitive instinct could find wisdom by the path of truth. 8

May the sun (the self) the Lord of seven steeds (sense organs), arrive, for he has a distant goal to reach by a tedious journey. Fleet as a hawk, he pounces upon the offered sacrificial food, ever young and far-seeing, he shines, moving amidst rays of light. 9

The sun has ascended above the shining ocean, as soon as he yokes his bright-backed steeds. The wise sage draws him, like a ship, across the ocean. The rain waters, hearing his commands, have come down. 10

I offer to you, for the sake of rain, an all-bestowing worship, whereby the progressive ministrants have completed the ten-months rite. May we, by this worship, invoke Nature's bounties to guard us against ills. May we, by this worship, pass safe beyond affliction and sin. 11

The enlightened person of his own accord, attaches himself to his assigned task, like a trained horse to a chariot. I also bear that task which is transcendent and preservative. I seek for no release, neither see way of turning back therefrom. May he, who knows the way, conduct me by the right path. 1

अ॒ग्न इन्द्र॑ वरु॒ण मि॒त्र दे॒वाः शर्धः॑ प्र॒ यन्त॑ मा॒रुतो॒न वि॒ष्णो ।
 उ॒भा ना॑स॒त्या रु॒द्रो अ॒ध॒ ग्नाः पु॒षा भ॒गः सर॑स्वती जुषन्त ॥२॥
 इन्द्रा॒ग्नी मि॒त्राव॑रु॒णादि॑ति॒ स्वः पृ॒थि॒वीं यां म॑रुतः पर्व॑तां अ॒पः ।
 हु॒वे वि॒ष्णुं पु॒षणं॑ ब्रह्म॒णस्प॑ति॒ भगं॑ नु शंसं॑ स॒वितार॑मृ॒तये॑ ॥३॥
 उ॒त नो॑ वि॒ष्णुरु॒त वा॒तो अ॒स्वि॒धो द्र॒वि॒णो॒दा उ॒त सो॒मो म॑य॒स्कर॑त् ।
 उ॒त ऋ॒भय॑ उ॒त रा॒ये नो॑ अ॒श्विनो॑त् त्व॒ष्टेत् वि॒भ्वा॒नु म॑स॒ते ॥४॥
 उ॒त त्व॒ष्टो मा॑रु॒तं शर्ध॑ आ ग॑मद्वि॒क्ष्य य॑जु॒तं बृ॒हिस॑दे ।
 बृ॒हस्प॑तिः श॒र्म पु॒षो नो॑ यमद॒रुथ्यं॑ वरु॒णो मि॒त्रो अ॑र्य॒मा ॥५॥

ághna índra vá-
 ruṇa mítra dévāḥ śardhaḥ prá yanta mārutotá vishṇo |
 ubhá násatyā rudró ádha gnāḥ pūshá bhágaḥ sárasvatí ju-
 shanta || 2 || indrāgní mitrávaruṇáditim svāḥ pṛithivīm dyām
 marútaḥ párvatāñ apāḥ | huvé víshṇum pūshāṇam bráhma-
 ñas pátim bhágam nú śáṁsam savitáram útáye || 3 || utá no
 víshṇur utá váto asrídho draviṇodá utá sómo máyas ka-
 rat | utá řibháva utá rāyé no aśvínotá tváshtotá víbhvānu
 mañsate || 4 || utá tyán no mārutaṁ śardha á gamad divi-
 kshayaṁ yajatám barhír āsáde | bṛfhaspátih śárma pūshótá
 no yamad varūthyāṁ varuṇo mitró aryamá || 5 ||

उ॒त त्वे॒ नः पर्व॑तासः सु॒शस्त॑यः सु॒दी॒तयो॑ न॒द्यन्त्रा॑म॒णे भु॒वन् ।
 भ॒गो वि॒भक्ता॑ श॒वसा॑व॒सा ग॑मद॒रुथ्य॑च्चा॒ अदि॑तिः श्रो॒तु मे॒ हव॑म ॥६॥
 दे॒वानां॑ प॒त्नीर॑गु॒तीर॑वन्तु॒ नः प्रा॑वन्तु॒ नस्तु॑जये॒ वाज॑सा॒तये॑ ।
 याः पा॑थि॒वासो॒ या अ॒पाम॑पि॒ ब्रूते॒ ता नो॑ दे॒वीः सु॒हवाः॒ शर्म॑ यच्छत ॥७॥

utá tyé
 naḥ párvatāsaḥ suṣastáyah suditáyo nadyās trámaṇe bhu-
 van | bhágo vibhaktá śávasávasá gamad uruvyácā áditiḥ
 śrotu me hávam || 6 || devánām pátnīr usatír avantu naḥ
 právantu nas tujáye vájasātaye | yāḥ párthivāso yá apām
 āpi vraté tá no devīḥ suhavāḥ śárma yachata || 7 ||

May you the cosmic divine powers, such as the lightning, the vapours, the vital principles, the pervading ethereal element and the sun confer strength upon us. May the twin-divines (dawn and dusk) cosmic vitality, the speech, the nourishments, the gracious elements, and the divine enlightenment be blessings to us. 2

I invoke for protection the nature's bounties like lightning and fire, light and plasma, the mother infinity, the heaven, the earth, the vital principles, the clouds, the waters, the air-divine, the nourisher, as well as, above all, the Supreme Lord of the universe, the creator. 3

May all pervading Lord and lord of the divine wind who harms none give us felicity. May the blissful Lord, the bestower of riches give us joy. May the spiritual preceptors, the pair of physicians and surgeons, the architects and other intellectuals, be favourably disposed to our aspirations. 4

And may the adorable celestial company of the vital principles, grace our assembly devoted to sacred work, and may the Supreme Lord, provider of nourishment, the venerable, friendly and the maintainer of law and order guard and grant shelter to us. 5

And may the glorious mountains, the beneficent rivers, keep us safe from harm. May the gracious, the apportioner of wealth, come with abundance and protection. May this wide-pervading infinity hear my invocation. 6

May Nature's motherly bounties, help us of their own accord. May they so protect us, that we obtain vigorous children and abundant food. O mothers, the goddesses, whether terrestrial, or those in charge of the waters in the firmament, may you on our earnest invocation bestow upon us felicity. 7

उत मा व्यन्तु देवपत्नीरिन्द्राण्यग्नाय्यश्विनी राट् ।
आ रोदसी वरुणानी शृणोतु व्यन्तु देवीर्य क्रतुर्जनीनाम् ॥८॥

utá gnā

vyantu devápatnīr indrāṇy āgnāyy aśvīni rāt | ā ródasī
varuṇānī śṛṇotu vyantu devīr yá ṛitūr jānīnām ॥ 8 ॥

(४७) समवन्तारिं सूनम्

(१-७) समवन्तार्य सूनस्यावेमः प्रतिरथ क्रमिः । विश्वे देवा देवताः । विष्णु उच्यते ॥

॥१॥

प्रयुञ्जती दिव एति ब्रुवाणा माही माता दुहितुर्योधयन्ती ।
आविवासन्ती युवतिर्मनीषा पितृभ्य आ सदाने जोहुवाना ॥१॥
अजिरासस्तदप इयमाना आतस्त्रिवांसो अमृतस्य नाभिम् ।
अनन्तासं उरवो विश्वतः सीं परि द्यावापृथिवी यन्ति पन्थाः ॥२॥
उक्षा समुद्रो अरुषः सुपर्णः पूर्वस्य वोनिं पितुरा विवेश ।
मध्ये दिवो निहितः पृश्निरश्मा वि चक्रमे रजसस्पात्यन्ती ॥३॥
चत्वार ई बिभ्रति क्षेमयन्ते दश गर्भं चरसे धापयन्ते ।
त्रिधातवः परमा अस्य गावो दिवश्चरन्ति परि सद्यो अन्तान् ॥४॥

47.

Prayujjati divá eti bruvāṇā mahī mātā duhitūr bodhā-
yanti | āvīvasantī yuvatīr manishā pitṛībhya ā sādane jóhu-
vānā ॥ 1 ॥ ajirāsas tādapa íyamānā ātasthivāṅso amṛitasya
nābhim | anantāsa urāvo viṣvātaḥ sīm pári dyāvāpṛithivī
yanti pánthāḥ ॥ 2 ॥ ukshā samudró arushāḥ suparnāḥ pūr-
vasya yónim pitúr ā viveṣa | mādhye divó nihitaḥ pṛisnir
āsmā ví cakrame rájasas pāty ántau ॥ 3 ॥ catvāra im bi-
bhṛati kshemayānto daśa gārbhaṃ carāse dhāpayante | tri-
dhātavaḥ paramā asya gāvo divāḥ caranti pári sadyó án-
tān ॥ 4 ॥

And may Nature's motherly bounties accept the offering. May mother-lightning, mother-fire, mother-pair of healing bounties, mother-pair of earth and heaven and queen of waters, each of them hear our prayers. May the mothers-divine partake of our homage. May the motherly time-parameter, manifested in the sequence of seasons also accept our invocations. 8

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Urging men to their labours, the adorable dawn, a great mother, comes from the heaven, she is the awakener of her daughter-earth; and is pious, ever young and glorified. She comes, when invoked, to the chamber of worship, with the protecting divine powers.

The rays of light, extending round, fulfilling their task of bringing on the day, abiding in contact with the orb of the immortal sun, unlimited and diffusive, spread everywhere through heaven and earth. 2

The showerer of rain, the shedder of dew, the radiant and the one of splendid wings,—such as the sun, has entered the region of the paternal east. The many-tinted and pervading luminary proceeds to both extremities of the firmament, and guards the two limits. 3

The four directions bear him up and seek their own welfare. The ten regions of space invigorate this babe to travel his daily course. His three-fold elementary rays swiftly traverse round the boundaries of the sky. 4

इदं वपुर्निवचनं जनासुश्चरन्ति यज्ञयस्तस्वधुरापः ।
 हे यदी बिभृतो मातुरन्ये इहेह जाते यम्याः सर्वान्धू ॥५॥
 वि तन्वते धियो अम्मा अपांसि वस्त्रा पुत्राय मातरो वयन्ति ।
 उपप्रक्षे वृषणो मोदमाना दिवस्पथा वृध्वो युन्यच्छे ॥६॥
 तदेस्तु मित्रावरुणा तदग्ने गं योरस्मभ्यमिदमस्तु शस्तम ।
 अशीमहि गाधमुत प्रतिष्ठां नमो दिवे बृहते सादनाय ॥७॥

idāṃ vāpur nivācanam janāsaś cāranti yān nadyās
 tasthūr āpah | dvē yād im bibhṛitō mātūr anyē ihēha jātē
 yamyā sābandhū || 5 || vī tanvate dhīyo asmā āpānsi vāstrā
 putrāya mātāro vayanti | upaprakshē vṛiṣhaṇo mōdamānā
 divās pathā vadhvō yanty ācha || 6 || tād astu mitrāvaruṇā
 tād agne śam yōr asmābhyam idām astu śastām | aśīmāhi
 gādhām utā pratishṭhām nāmo divē bṛihatē sādānāya
 || 7 ||

(४८) अष्टचत्वारिंशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चम्याय सूक्तयाजयः प्रतिभातुर्केचिः । विश्वे देवा देवताः । जगती छन्दः ॥

॥२॥

कदु प्रियाय धाक्षे मनामहे स्वक्षत्राय स्वयशसे महे वयम् ।
 आमेन्यस्य रजसो यदुभ्र औ अपो वृणाना वितनोति मायिनी ॥१॥
 ता अन्तत वयुर्न वीरवक्ष्णं समान्या वृतया विश्रुमा रजः ।
 अपो अपाचीरपरा अपेजते प्र पूर्वाभिस्तिरते देवयुर्जनः ॥२॥

48.

Kād u priyāya dhāmne manāmahe svākshatrāya svāya-
 śase mahē vayām | āmenyāśya rājaso yād abhrā ān apō
 vṛiṇānā vitanōti māyīnī || 1 || tā atnata vayūnam vīrāva-
 kṣhaṇam samānyā vṛitāyā vīśvam ā rājāḥ | apō āpācīr āparā
 āpejate prā pūrvābhis tirate devayūr jānaḥ || 2 ||

O men, indescribable is the mystic knowledge: who can say from whence the rivers flow, and where the waters dwell; how the visible two (day and night), associated and closely united, support the mother (i.e. the mother of the sun), who herself is invisible ? 5

For him worshippers lengthen praises and works of adoration, and for him mothers (cosmos) sew garments of rays. Rejoicing in the contact of their impregnation, the rays, the consorts, of the sun, come to our presence, by the path of the sky, to meet him. 6

May this our praise, O Lord of light and bliss, be appreciated by you. May it, O adorable Lord, be valued by you, as the means of health and happiness to us. May we then obtain depth (of life) and stability. We offer reverence to the vast celestial region. 7

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How and when shall we offer adoration to the great resplendent dear to all, self-renowned, self-sovereign, and who, as the master of cosmic intelligence, investing heavens, spreads the waters above the clouds over the immeasurable firmament. 1

These dawns diffuse the consciousness, that gives strength to pious men and overspread the whole world with uniform light. The devout man does not worry about the dawns which have disappeared and those which are yet to come, but he lengthens the field of action with those that are before him. 2

आ ग्रावभिरहन्येभिरक्तुभिर्वरिष्ठं वज्रमा जिघर्ति मायिनि ।
 ज्ञातं वा यस्य प्रचरन्त्ये दमे संवर्तयन्तो वि च वर्तयन्नहा ॥३॥
 तामस्य रिति परशोरिव प्रत्यनीकमख्यं भुजे अस्य वर्षसः ।
 सचा यदि पितुमन्तमिव क्षयं रत्नं दधाति भरहृतये विशे ॥४॥
 स जिह्वया चतुरनीक ऋज्जते चारु वसानो वरुणो यतन्नरिम ।
 न तस्य विद्म पुरुषत्वता वयं यतो भगः सविता दाति वार्यम् ॥५॥

á grāva-

bhir ahanyēbhir aktúbhir vārishṭham vājram á jigbarti mā-
 yīni | śatām vā yasya pracāran své dāme samvartāyanto
 ví ca vartayann áhā || 3 || tām asya ritim paraśór iva práty
 ánikam akhyam bhujé asya vārpasaḥ | śacā yādi pītumān-
 tam iva kshāyam rātnam dādhati bhārahūtaye viṣe || 4 || sá
 jihvāyā cāturānika riñjate cāru vāsāno vāruṇo yātann arīm |
 ná tāsya vidma puruṣatvatā vayām yāto bhāgaḥ savitá
 dāti vāryam || 5 ||

(४९) एकोनपञ्चाशत् सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चवर्षस्यास्य सूक्तस्यात्रेयः प्रतिग्रम ऋषिः । विभे देवा देवताः । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥३॥ देवं वो अद्य सवितारमेषे भगं च रत्नं विभर्जन्तमायोः ।
 आ वो नरा पुरुभुजा ववृत्वां दिवेदिवे चिदश्विना सखीयन् ॥१॥
 प्रति प्रयाणमसुरस्य विद्वान्सुक्तेर्देवं सवितारं दुवस्य ।
 उपे ब्रुवीत नमसा विजानङ्ग्येष्ठं च रत्नं विभर्जन्तमायोः ॥२॥

49.

Devām vo adyá savitāram éshe bhāgam ca rātnam vi-
 bhājantam āyóḥ | á vām narā purubhujā vavṛityām divé-
 dive cid aśvina sakhiyān || 1 || prāti prayāṇam āsurasya vi-
 dvān sūktair devām savitāram duvasya | ūpa bruvīta ná-
 masā vijānān jyēshṭham ca rātnam vibhājantam āyóḥ || 2 ||

The resplendent sun, whose hundred rays attend in his own abode, drives the days afar and brings the revolving days back again. Animated by the libations offered by day and by night, the sun sharpens his vast bolt of rays against the beguiler, the cloudy darkness. 3

I know the form of that fire-divine which is like an axe's edge. His resplendent form is designed for the welfare of mankind. To the man, who invokes him in struggle, he gives such opulence, as is like a dwelling place, full of precious treasure. 4

Blazing with his fiery tongue in the four quarters, and wearing beautiful lustre, the venerable proceeds onwards, dispelling darkness. With our human limitations, we would never know the omnipotency of the gracious supreme creator, whereby He bestows his blessings. 5

Today, I approach the divine gracious creator, who allots the gracious treasure amongst men. O the fast moving twins, the leading divines, conferrers of all enjoyable things, seeking your friendship, I call on you every day. 1

Knowing fully well the approach of the expeller (of darkness), i.e. the time of sunrise may you worship the divine creator with holy hymns and praises. Let him, who rightly knows, speak with reverence to him who distributes precious treasures amongst men. 2

अदत्रया दयते वार्याणि पृषा भगो अदिनिर्वस्त उस्वः ।
 इन्द्रो विष्णुर्वरुणो मित्रो अमिरहानि भद्रा जनयन्त दस्माः ॥३॥
 तन्नो अनर्वा सविता वरुथं तत्सिन्धव इषयन्तो अनु गमन् ।
 उप चहोचै अध्वरस्य होता रायः स्याम पतयो वाजरत्नाः ॥४॥
 प्र ये वसुभ्य ईयदा नमो दुये मित्रे वरुणे मुक्तवाचः ।
 अत्रैत्वम्भं कृणुता वरीयो दिवस्पृथिव्योरवासा मदेम ॥५॥

adatrayā dayate vāryāṇi pūshā bhāgo āditir vāsta usrah |
 indro vishnur varuṇo mitrō agnir āhāni bhadra janayanta
 dasmah || 3 || tān no anarvā savitā vārūtham tāt sindhava
 ishāyanto ānu gman | ūpa yād vōce adhvarāsyā hōtā rā-
 yāḥ syāma pātayo vājaratnāḥ || 4 || prā yē vāsubhya īvad
 ā nāmo dūr yē mitrē varuṇe sūktāvācaḥ | āvaitv ābhvam
 kṛiṇutā vāriyo divāsprithivyōr āvasā madema || 5 ||

(५०) पञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चवस्यास्य सूक्तस्याविषः स्वस्याविषः क्रविः । विश्वे देवा देवताः । (१-५) प्रथमादि-
 चतुर्नचामनुष्टुप्, (५) पञ्चम्याश्च पङ्क्तिस्तन्मयी ॥

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विश्वो देवस्य नेतुर्मनीं वुरीत सख्यम् ।
 विश्वो राय इपुष्यति द्युन्नं वृणीत पुष्यसे ॥१॥
 ते ते देव नेतुर्यं चेमाँ अनुज्ञसे ।
 ते राया ते ह्याऽपृचे सचेमहि सचथ्यैः ॥२॥
 अतो न आ नृनतिथीनतः पर्नीर्दशस्यत ।
 और विश्वं पथेष्ठां द्विपो युयोतु यूयुविः ॥३॥

50.

Viśvo devāsya netūr mārto vurita sakhyām | viśvo
 rāyā ishudhyati dyumnām vṛiṇita pushyāse || 1 || té te deva
 netar yē cemān anuśāse | té rāyā té hy āprīce sácemahi
 sacathyaiḥ || 2 || áto na ā nṛiṇ átithīn átaḥ pátñir daśa-
 syata | āre viśvam patheshthām dvishó yuyotu yúyuvih || 3 ||

The nourisher, the gracious, the infinite Lord, whose garb is splendour, bestows the excellent viands. Lord, the resplendent, the omnipresent, the venerable, the friendly, and adorable gives birth to auspicious days. 3

May the invincible creator grant us the covetable wealth, and may the flowing rivers hasten to convey it to us, for which I, the ministering priest of worship, repeat pious praises. Affluent in food, may we be the lords of wealth and rich treasures. 4

May ample wealth be granted to those, who present homage to the Lord of wealth and comforts, and to those, who have repeated praises to the Lord of light and bliss. O divines grant them uninterrupted happiness. May we all rejoice through the grace of heaven and earth. 5

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Let every man solicit the friendship of the divine leader. Each one seeks glory and obtains affluence through his grace. 1

O divine leader, those who serve you are yours and the others too who serve the divine powers. We are sure both of them would be blessed with opulence and may the aspirations of all of us be fulfilled. 2

Therefore, serve the leaders of our sacred works, like guests, and also honour their wives. May the divine discriminator drive to a distance every adversary, and all who block our way. 3

यत्र वह्निरभिहितो दुद्रवद्रोण्यः पशुः ।
 नृमणा वीरपस्त्योऽर्णा धीरेव सनिता ॥४॥
 एष ते देव नेता रयस्पतिः शं रयिः ।
 शं राये शं स्वस्तये इषःस्तुतो मनामहे देवस्तुतो मनामहे ॥५॥

yātra vahnir abhīhito dudrāvad drōnyah paśūh | nṛi-
 māṇā vīrāpastyó 'rnā dhīreva sánitā ॥ 4 ॥ eshá te deva
 netā ráthaspátih śam rāyih | śam rāyé śam svastáya isha-
 stúto manāmahe devastúto manāmahe ॥ 5 ॥

(५१) एकपञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशार्यम्याम्य सुतस्यापेयः स्वस्त्यापेयः ऋषिः । (१-३, ८-१५) प्रथमादितृचस्याहम्यापहर्षाञ्च
 विश्वे देवाः, (४. १-७) चतुर्व्याः पट्टितमग्नौधेःद्रवायुः, (५) पञ्चम्याथ वायुर्देवताः । (१-४) प्रथमादि-
 चतुर्वेदां गायत्री, (५-१७) पञ्चम्यादिपण्णामुष्णिह्, (११-१३) एकादस्यादितृचस्य
 ऋषिर्वा विष्णुर्वा, (१४-१५) चतुर्वेदीपञ्चदशसोऽध्वानुष्टुप् उन्दांसि ॥

॥५॥ अग्ने सुतस्य पीतये विश्वेरुमेभिर्ग गहि । देवेभिर्हव्यदांतये ॥१॥
 कर्तधीतय आ गंत मत्वधर्माणो अध्वरम् । अग्नेः पिबत जिह्वया ॥२॥
 विप्रैर्भिर्धिप्र मन्त्र प्रातर्यावेभिर्ग गहि । देवेभिः सोमपीतये ॥३॥
 अयं सोमश्चमू सुतोऽमत्रे परि पिच्यते । प्रिय इन्द्राय वायवे ॥४॥
 वायवा याहि पीतये जुषाणा हव्यदांतये । पिबा सुतस्यान्वसो अभि प्रयः ॥५॥

51.

Āgne sutāsya pītāye viśvair ūmebhir ā gahi | devébhir
 havyādātaye ॥ 1 ॥ rītadhītaya ā gata sátyadharmāṇo adhva-
 rām | agnéh pibata jihváyā ॥ 2 ॥ víprebhir vipra, santya
 prātaryāvabhir ā gahi | devébhih sómapītaye ॥ 3 ॥ ayám
 sómaṣ camú suto 'matre pári shicyate | priyá índrāya vā-
 yāve ॥ 4 ॥ váyav ā yāhi vītāye jushāṇó havyādātaye | píba
 sutásyāndhaso abhi práyah ॥ 5 ॥

Where fire is set and swiftly runs the cow's milk and butter, placed in the vessel, there the Lord, friendly to men, like the benevolent household wife, gives special opulence of dwellings and children. 4

O Lord, the divine leader, may your protecting chariot, laden with riches, be blessed to us,—blessed to us for wealth and well. We glorify him for well-being, peace and prosperity. We, the devout worshippers, adore him. 5

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Come, O adorable Lord, with all your divine protecting measures, to accept our devotional love and to grant blessings. 1

Come to our sacred work and worship, O possessors of divine wisdom, and performers of righteous deeds. May you relish our love, as the ritual fire consumes oblation with tongue like flames. 2

O wise and ever gracious Lord, come to accept our devotional love with those wise and virtuous divine forces, who move from the early morning. 3

This loving devotion is expressed as if effused into the ladles and poured forth into the vase of heart, acceptable to resplendent Lord of cosmic vitality. 4

Come, O Lord of vitality, propitious to the offerer of homage, to accept our devotional love, as one drinks the extracts of foods and relishing herbs. 5

॥६॥ इन्द्रश्च वायवेपां सुतानां पीतिमर्हथः । ताज्जुषिधामरेपसाविभि प्रयः ॥६॥
 सुता इन्द्राय वायवे सोमामो दध्याशिरः । निम्नं न यन्ति सिन्धवोऽभि प्रयः ॥७॥
 सजूर्विश्वेभिर्देवेभिरश्विभ्यामुपसा सजुः । आ याह्यग्ने अत्रिवत्सुते रण ॥८॥

indras ca vāyav eshām sutānām pītīm arhathaḥ | tāñ
 jushethām arepāsāv abhī prāyaḥ || 6 || sutā indrāya vāyāve
 sōmāso dādhyāśiraḥ | nimnām nā yanti śindhavo 'bhī prā-
 yaḥ || 7 || sajūr viśvebhir devēbhir aśvībhyām ushāsā sajūḥ |
 ā yāhy agne atrivāt suté raṇa || 8 ||

सजूर्मित्रावरुणाभ्यां सजुः सोमेन विष्णुना । आ याह्यग्ने अत्रिवत्सुते रण ॥९॥
 सजूर्गोदित्वेर्वसुभिः सजूरिन्द्रेण वायुना । आ याह्यग्ने अत्रिवत्सुते रण ॥१०॥

sajūr mitrávárūṇābhyām
 sajūḥ sōmena víshṇunā | ā yāhy — || 9 || sajūr ādityaír vá-
 subhiḥ sajūr indreṇa vāyúnā | ā yāhy — || 10 ||

॥११॥ स्वस्ति नो मिमीतामश्विना भगः स्वस्ति देव्यदितिरनर्वणः ।
 स्वस्ति पूषा असुरो दधातु नः स्वस्ति यावापृथिवी सुचेतुना ॥११॥
 स्वस्तये वायुमुपे ब्रवामहे सोम स्वस्ति भुवनस्य यस्यतिः ।
 बृहस्पतिं सर्वगणं स्वस्तये स्वस्तये आदित्यामो भवन्तु नः ॥१२॥

svastí no mīmītām aśvínā bhágaḥ svastí devy āditir
 anarváṇaḥ | svastí pūshā ásuro dadhātu naḥ svastí dyāvā-
 prithivī sučetunā || 11 || svastāye vāyúm ūpa bravāmahai
 sōmaḥ svastí bhūvanasya yás pátiḥ | bṛīhaspátim sárvaga-
 ṇam svastāye svastāya ādityāso bhavantu naḥ || 12 ||

You are, O resplendent Lord and Lord of vitality, ever worthy of accepting our drinks of devotional love. May you with all kindness cherish them fully, and accept the pleasant offerings also. 6

The devotional prayers, expressed with love and earnestness are poured out as if plant juices mixed with milk creams, to resplendent Lord, the Lord of vitality. May the sacrificial viands proceed to you as rivers flow to a lower level. 7

Accompanied by all the divine powers and accompanied by the twin divines, and by dawns, O adorable Lord, come and cherish our dedications and appreciations, like three fold free sage. 8

Associated with cosmic light and plasma, also with the sun and moon, may you come, and cherish our dedications, O divine fire, like the three-fold-free sage. 9

Accompanied by the element of eternity and comforts, also accompanied by the elements of resplendence and of vitality, may you come and cherish our dedications, O fire divine, like the three fold free sage. 10

May the pair of twin-divines, the gracious Lord and the divine eternity, contribute to our prosperity. May the irresistible sun, the scatterer of light and the dispenser of darkness, bestow upon us prosperity. May the most vital heaven and earth vouch safe us happiness. 11

We glorify Lord of vitality for prosperity—Lord of bliss for prosperity, who is the protector of world. We praise the Supreme Lord, associated with all divine powers. May the radiant rays of all the suns and luminaries bring us health and happiness. 12

विश्वे देवा नो अद्या स्वस्तये वैश्वानरो वसुरग्निः स्वस्तये ।
 देवा अवन्त्वुभवंः स्वस्तये स्वस्ति नो रुद्रः पात्वंहसः ॥१३॥
 स्वस्ति मित्रावरुणा स्वस्ति पथ्ये रेवति ।
 स्वस्ति न इन्द्रश्चाग्निश्च स्वस्ति नो अदिते कृधि ॥१४॥
 स्वस्ति पन्थामनु चरेम सूर्याचन्द्रमसाविव ।
 पुनर्ददुताम्रता जानता सं गमिमहि ॥१५॥

vīṣve

devá no adyá svastáye vaiśvānaró vásur agnīḥ svastáye |
 devá avantv ṛibhávaḥ svastáye svastí no rudráḥ pātv án-
 hasaḥ || 13 || svastí mitrāvaruṇā svastí pathye revati | svastí
 na índraḥ cāgnīḥ ca svastí no adite kṛidhi || 14 || svastí
 pánthām ánu carema sūryācandramásāv iva | púnar dáda-
 tāghnatā jānatā sām gamemahi || 15 ||

(५२) द्विपञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-१७) समदशचरयाऽथ सूक्तस्याध्वयः श्यावाश्च क्रविः । मरुतो देवताः । (१-५. ७-१५)

प्रथमार्द्विपञ्चाशौ समस्यादिनवानाश्चानुष्टुप्. (६. १६-१७) षष्ठ्याः पौडशी-

सप्तदशयोध पङ्क्तिदण्डद्वयी ॥

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प्र श्यावाश्च धृष्णुयाची मरुर्द्धिक्रक्रभिः ।
 ये अद्रोघमनुष्यं श्रवो मदन्ति यज्ञियाः ॥१॥
 ते हि स्थिरस्य शर्वसः सखायः सन्ति धृष्णुया ।
 ते यामन्ना धृषद्विनुस्मना पान्ति शश्वतः ॥२॥

52.

Prá śyāvāṣva dhrishṇuyārcā marúdbhír ṛíkvabhiḥ | yé
 adroghám anushvadhám śrávo mādanti yajñiyāḥ || 1 || té hí
 sthirásya śávasaḥ sákhāyaḥ sánti dhrishṇuyá | té yámann
 á dhrishadvīnas tmánā pānti śáṣvataḥ || 2 ||

May all the divine powers be with us today for our prosperity. May the divine fire, the benefactor of all men, and giver of dwellings, be with us, for our prosperity. May the divine wise sages protect us for our prosperity. May the fear of the Lord of terror keep us off from crimes and calamity. 13

May the Lord of light and bliss grant us prosperity. May the guiding spirit of firmament and the goddess of riches, grant us prosperity. May the adorable and resplendent Lord prosper us. And O the spirit of indivisible fullness bestow prosperity upon us. 14

May we ever pursue our path of prosperity like the sun and moon; may we move in full cooperation in mutual give and take, without causing injury to each other, and in the mutual right understanding. 15

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O divine winds, moving speedily along the brown clouds as if riding on such horses, and associated with the praise-deserving vital principles, sing boldly the glory of those who are holy on their own accounts and who enjoy their reputation, free from guile. 1

For, in their boldness, they are the firm friends of steady and sure vigour. They are, in their course, resolute and guard innumerable men with willingness and pleasure. 2

ते स्पन्द्रासो नोक्षणीति श्कन्दन्ति शर्वरीः ।
 मरुतामधा महो दिवि क्षमा च मन्महे ॥३॥
 मरुत्सु वा दधीमहि स्तोमं यज्ञं च धृष्णुया ।
 विश्वे ये मानुषा युगा पान्ति मर्त्ये रिषः ॥४॥
 अर्हन्तो ये सुदानवो नरो अमामिशवासः ।
 प्र यज्ञं यज्ञियभ्यो दिवो अर्चा मरुद्भ्यः ॥५॥

té syandrásō

nóksháṇó 'ti shkandanti śarvarīḥ | marútām ádhā máho diví
 kshamá ca manmahe || 3 || marútsu vo dadhimahi stómaṃ
 yajñám ca dhṛishṇuyá | víṣve yé mánushā yugá pánti már-
 tyam risháh || 4 || árhanto yé sudánavo náro ásāmiśavasah |
 prá yajñám yajñíyebhyo divó arcā marúdbhyah || 5 ||

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आ रुक्मेरा युधा नरं कृष्या कृष्टीरक्षत ।
 अन्वेनो अहं विद्युतो मरुतो जज्जतीरिव भानुरनं त्मना दिवः ॥६॥
 ये वावृधन्त पाथिवा य उरावन्तरिक्ष आ ।
 वृजने वा नदीनां सधस्थे वा महो दिवः ॥७॥
 गर्धो मारुतमुच्छेस सत्यशंससमुन्वसम ।
 उत स्म ते शुभे नरः प्र स्पन्द्रा युजत त्मना ॥८॥
 उत स्म ते परुष्यामूर्णा वसत शुन्धवः ।
 उत पृथ्या रथानामद्रिं भिन्दन्त्योजसा ॥९॥

ā rukmaír ā yudhá nára ṛishvá ṛishṭír asṛikshata | ánv
 enāñ áha vidyúto marúto jájhjhatir iva bhānūr arta tmánā
 diváh || 6 || yé vāvṛidhānta párthivā yá urāv antáriksha ā |
 vṛijāne vā nadínām sadhásthe vā mahó diváh || 7 || śárdho
 márutam úc chaṇsa satyáśavasam ṛibhvasam | utá sma té
 śubhé nárah prá syandrá yujata tmánā || 8 || utá sma té
 párushṇyām úrṇā vasata śundhyávah | utá pavyá ráthānām
 ádrim bhindanty ójasā || 9 ||

Gliding along, and shedding moisture, they pass through the nights; therefore we now celebrate the might of these cloud bearing winds, manifested in both heaven and earth. 3

Let us earnestly offer praise and worship to the cloud-bearing winds, who through all ages of mankind have been protecting the mortal worshipper against calamities. 4

May you offer reverence to the adorable cloud bearing winds, who come from heaven, and are worthy of worship, who are munificent leaders, and possessors of unequalled strength. 5

The leaders (of rains) and the mighty divine winds, shine like soldier hurling javelins of gleaming gold. Following these divines winds, proceeds the lightning roaring from the sky, a splendour which spontaneously breaks forth. 6

The cloud-bearing winds who are close to the earth, are augmented, so are those who are in the vast firmament. They too wax who proceed along the rivers, and so those winds who move in the vast midspace. 7

Glorify the truth-invigorated and infinite strength of the cloud-bearing winds, for they, the leaders of the rains, gliding along, are working voluntarily for our good. 8

Whether they abide on the cumulus clouds, along with a river, or, purifying all, they clothe themselves with light, or whether they cleave the rock asunder with strength by the wheels of their chariots. 9

आपथयो विपथयोऽन्तस्पथा अनुपथाः ।
एतेभिर्मह्यं नामभिर्यज्ञं विष्टार ओहते ॥१०॥

āpathayo vípathayó 'ntaspathā
ánupathāḥ | etébbhir máhyam nāmabhir yajñām vishtārá
ohate || 10 ||

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अथा नरो न्योहतेऽथा नियुत ओहते ।
अथा पारवता इति चित्रा रूपाणि दर्श्या ॥११॥
छन्दःस्तुभः कुभन्यव उत्समा कीरिणो नृनुः ।
ते मे के चित्र तायव उमा आसन्दशि त्विषे ॥१२॥
य ऋष्या ऋष्टिविद्युतः कवयः सन्ति वेधसः ।
तमृषे मारुते गुणं नमस्या रमया गिरा ॥१३॥
अच्छे ऋषे मारुते गुणं दाना मित्रं न योषणा ।
दिवो वा धृष्णव ओजसा स्तुता धीभिरिष्यत ॥१४॥
नू मन्वान एषां देवां अच्छा न वक्षणा ।
दाना सचेत सूरिभिर्यामश्रुतेभिरञ्जिभिः ॥१५॥

ádā nāro ny ohaté 'dhā niyúta ohate | ádhā párávatā
íti citrá rūpāṇi dārsyā || 11 || chandastúbhaḥ kubhanyáva
útsam á kīriṇo nṛituh | té me ké cin ná tāyáva úmā āsan
dṛiṣi tvishé || 12 || yá řishvá řištīvidyutaḥ kaváyah sánti
vedhásah | tám řishe mārutaṁ gaṇām namasyā ramáyā
girā || 13 || ácha řishe mārutaṁ gaṇām dānā mitráṁ ná
yoshāṇā | divó vā dhṛishṇava ójasā stutā dhibhī řiṣhanyata
|| 14 || nú manvánā eshām devāñ áchā ná vakshāṇā | dānā
saceta sūribhī yāmaśrutebbhir añjibhīḥ || 15 ||

Whether, following the paths that lead to us, or that spread diversely, or those that sink into the hollows (of the mountains) or those that extend smoothly, they, however scattered, tend well the cosmic sacrifice for my benefit. 10

These leaders of the rains uphold the world, at one time blending together, whilst the other time remaining aloof, they are manifest in varied forms. 11

Singing hymns, seeking water, dancing and praising, they provide water as if from a well. Some of them move in secret like thieves, but only to help us, and some are splendid to behold. 12

Glorify, O sage, with grateful songs, the group of these clouds, who are bright with lightning lances, who are melodious like poets, and full of wisdom. 13

Approach, O sage, with offerings and with praise, the group of the clouds, as a maid goes to her friend. May you, O clouds, hasten here from heaven, bold in your strength, and glorified by our hymns. 14

Glorifying them promptly, may you go to them, who are like an escort of Nature's bounties. They are characterized by their wisdom, by their velocity, and by the generosity of distributing rewards. 15

प्र ये मे बन्ध्वेषे गां वोचन्त सूरयः पृश्निं वोचन्त मातरम् ।
 अथां पितरंभिष्मिणं रुद्रं वोचन्त शिक्वसः ॥१६॥
 सप्त मे सप्त शाकिन् एकमेका शता ददुः ।
 यमुनायामधि श्रुतमुद्राधो गव्यं मृजे नि राभो अश्व्यं मृजे ॥१७॥

prá ye me
 bandhveshé gām vócantā sūráyah priṣṇinī vocantā mātā-
 ram | ádhā pitāram ishmināṃ rudrāṃ vocantā śikvasaḥ
 || 16 || saptā me saptā śākina ekam-ekā śatā daduḥ | ya-
 múnāyām ádhi śrutām ud rādho gāvyaṃ mṛije ní rādho
 áśvyam mṛije || 17 ||

(५३) विषयानां सूक्तम्

(१-१६) षोडशर्वन्थास्य सूक्तस्यानेषः श्वावाथ ऋषिः । मरुतो देवताः । (१. ५. १०-११, १५) मयमा-
 पञ्चमीदशम्येकादशीचदशीनामृषां ककुम्भः, (२) द्वितीयाया बृहती, (३) तृतीयाया अनुष्टुप्,
 (४) चतुर्थ्याः पुर उज्जिक्, (६-७. ९. १३-१४, १६) षष्ठीसप्तमीनवमीत्रयोदशीचतुर्दशी-
 षोडशीनां सतो बृहती, (८. १२) अष्टमीद्वादश्योश्च गायत्री छन्दोऽसि ॥

"११" को वेद जानमेषां को वा पुरा सुमनेष्वसि मरुताम् । ययुज्रे किल्लास्यः ॥१॥
 ऐतान्नयेषु तस्थुषः कः शुश्राव कथा ययुः ।
 कस्यै सखुः सुदसे अन्वापय इळाभिर्वृष्टयः सह ॥२॥
 ते मे आहुर्य आययुरुषु युभिर्विभिर्मदे ।
 नरो मर्या अरेपस इमान्पश्यन्निति द्रुहि ॥३॥

53.

Kó veda jānam eshām kó vā purā sumnēshv āsa ma-
 rūtām | yád yuyujré kilāsyāḥ || 1 || aītān rātheshu tasthū-
 shaḥ káh ṣuśrāva kathā yayuḥ | kásmai sasruḥ sudāse ānv
 āpāya īlabhir vṛisṭāyāḥ sahā || 2 || té ma āhur yā āyayūr
 ūpa dyūbhir víbhir mādē | nāro mār्या arepāsa imān pá-
 syann iti shtuhi || 3 ||

To me, inquiring of their kin, the sage—clouds have given an answer. They declare the earth to be their mother. And the same mighty ones declare the food-bestowing cosmic vitality to be their father. 16

May the seven times, seven all-potent clouds, aggregated as a single troop, bestow upon me hundred gifts. May I possess wealth of cows, renowned upon the banks of confluent channels. May I possess wealth of horses. 17

53

Who knows the birth of these cloud-bearing winds? Who has formerly been participant of the enjoyments of them, and when are the deer-like spotted waves yoked to their chariots? 1

When standing in their cars, who has heard them tell the way whither to go? Who is the liberal worshipper to whom their kindred rains descend with manifold food? 2

To me have they spoken whilst having come with radiance to cherish noble deeds. O leaders and heroes, free from blemishes or stain, whenever you behold them, admire and appreciate. 3

ये अञ्जिषु ये वाञ्जीषु स्वभानवः स्वक्षु रुक्मेषु स्वादिषु । श्रया रथेषु धन्वसु ॥४॥
युष्माकं स्मा रथां अनु मुदे दधे मरुतो जीरदानवः । वृष्टी द्यावो यतीरिव ॥५॥

yé añjīshu yé vāsīshu svābhānavah
srakshū rukīnēshu khādīshu | śrāyā rātheshu dhānvasu
॥ 4 ॥ yushmākam smā rāthāñ ānu mudé dadhe maruto ji-
radānavah | vṛiṣṭī dyāvo yatīr iva ॥ 5 ॥

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आ यं नरः सुदानवो ददाशुषं दिवः कोशमचुच्यवुः ।
वि पर्जन्यं सृजन्ति रोदसी अनु धन्वना यन्ति वृष्टयः ॥६॥
तनुदानाः सिन्धवः क्षोदसा रजः प्र संसृध्वेनवो यथा ।
स्यन्ना अश्वा इवाध्वनो विमोचन्ते वि यद्वर्तन्त एन्यः ॥७॥
आ यात मरुतो दिव आन्तरिक्षादुमादुत । माव स्वात परावतः ॥८॥
मा वो रसानितभा कुभा कुमुर्मा वः सिन्धुर्नि रीरमत ।
मा वः परि श्रुत्सरयुः पुरीषिष्यस्मे इत्सुभ्रमस्तु वः ॥९॥
तं वः शर्व रथानां त्वेषं गणं मारुतं नव्यसीनाम् । अनु प्र यन्ति वृष्टयः ॥१०॥

á yām nārah sudānavo dadāśuṣhe divāḥ koṣam ācu-
cyavuh | vi parjanyaṁ srijanti rōdasī ānu dhānvanā yanti
vṛiṣṭāyah ॥ 6 ॥ tatridānāḥ sīndhavah kshódasā rájah prá-
sasrur dhenāvo yathā | syannā ásvā ivādhvano vimócane
ví yád vártanta enyāḥ ॥ 7 ॥ á yāta maruto divá ántári-
kshād amād utá | máva sthāta parāvataḥ ॥ 8 ॥ má vo rāsā-
nitabhā kúbbhā krúmur má vah sīndhur ní rīramat | má
vah pári shṭhāt saráyuh puriṣhīṇy asmé it sumnām astu
vah ॥ 9 ॥ lám vah śardham ráthānām tveshām gaṇām má-
rutam návyasīnām | ānu prá yanti vṛiṣṭāyah ॥ 10 ॥

They the self-luminous, whilst arrayed in chariots, are decorated with ornaments, swords, and bows, breast-plates, bracelets, and wreaths. 4

I look upon your chariots, O munificent cloud-bearing wind with delight, like wandering lights in the rains. 5

These munificent heroes bring the heaven's treasury as if down to the earth for the benefit of the worshipper. They set the rain cloud free to stream through both the worlds and desert spots are flooded with rains. 6

The bursting torrents (from the clouds) overspread the firmament with water, as milch cows yield milk and just as swift horses hasten to their journey's resting place, the glittering brooks run in various directions. 7

Come, O cloud bearing winds, from heaven, from mid-air, or from near at hand. Tarry not far away from us. 8

Let not the dust nuclei, nor the indefinite variation of heat and light, neither the motion of the earth, nor the wide-roving ocean hold you back. Let not the fully flowing river oppose you on your way. May the happiness of yours be ours. 9

My appreciations of the brilliant group of cloud-bearing winds, who have the strength of the latest chariots, and whose appearance is followed by good rains. 10

॥१३॥ शर्धंशर्धं व एषां व्रतंव्रतानं गुणंगणं सुशस्तिभिः । अनु क्रामेम धीतिभिः ॥११॥
 कस्मा अद्य सुजाताय रातहव्याय प्र ययुः । एना यामेन मरुतः ॥१२॥
 येन तोकाय तनयाय धान्यं बीजं वहध्वे अक्षितम् ।
 अस्मभ्यं तदत्तनु यद् ईमहे राधो विश्वायु सौमंगम् ॥१३॥

śārdham-śardham va eshām vrātaṁ-vrātaṁ gaṇām-ga-
 ṇaṁ suśastibhiḥ | ānu krāmema dhītibhiḥ || 11 || kasmā
 adyā sūjātāya rātahavyāya prā yayuḥ | enā yāmena maru-
 taḥ || 12 || yēna tokāya tānayāya' dhānyam bījaṁ vāhadhve
 ākshitam | asmābhyam tād dhattana yād va īmahe rādho
 viśvāyu saubhagam || 13 ||

अतीयाम निदस्तिरः स्वस्तिभिर्हिवावद्यमरातीः ।
 वृष्टीं ओं योराप उस्त्रि भेषजं त्याम मरुतः सह ॥१४॥
 सुदेवः समहासति सुवीरो नरो मरुतः स मर्त्यः । यं त्रायध्वे त्याम ते ॥१५॥
 स्तुहि भोजान्स्तुवतो अस्य यामन्ति रणन्गावो न यवसे ।
 यतः पूर्वा इव मखीरिनु ह्य गिरा गृणीहि कामिनाः ॥१६॥

ātīyāma nidās tirāḥ svastībhir
 hitvāvadyām ārātiḥ | vṛiṣṭvī śām yōr āpa usrī bheshajām
 syāma marutaḥ sahā || 14 || sudevāḥ samahāsati suvīro naro
 marutaḥ sā mārtyaḥ | yaṁ trāyadhve syāma té || 15 || stuhī
 bhojān stuvatō asya yāmani rāṇan gāvo nā yāvase | ya-
 tāḥ pūrvāḥ iva sākhiṇr ānu hvaya girā grīṇiḥi kāmīnaḥ
 || 16 ||

With praises and holy hymns, may we follow and greet
your moving army unit by unit, troop by troop and band
by band. 11

To what nobly-born and oblation-giving worshipper are
the clouds proceeding on this course today. 12

With the same grace that you bestow imperishable grain-
seed upon the sons or grandsons, may you bestow it
upon us, that for we implore of you the life-sustaining
auspicious bliss. 13

O cloud-bearing winds, may we overcome our crooked
and reviling adversaries, dispelling evils, with goodwill.
And may we through rain be blessed with unmixed happi-
ness, water, cattle, and curative herbs. 14

O leading cloud-bearing winds, verily that mortal shall be
favoured by the divine powers, and blessed with progeny,
whom you protect. May we also be graced with that
blessing. 15

Praise the givers of enjoyment, at the holy place of wor-
shipper, for they delight in pious praise just as cows
enjoy the barley-husk. So let them come close to you, as
if your old friends; praise them with songs, as they love
adoration. 16

(५४) चतुर्विधां मृतम्

(१-१५) पञ्चदशार्चस्यास्य मृतस्याग्निः दयावाथ ऋषिः । मरुतो देवताः । (१-१३, १५) प्रथमादिनवोदसर्चा
पञ्चदशार्च जगती, (१४) चतुर्दशार्च त्रिष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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प्र गर्धाय मारुताय स्वभानव इमां वार्चमनजा पर्वतच्युते ।
घर्मस्तुभे दिव आ पृष्ठयज्वने शुभ्रश्रवसे महि नृमणमर्चन ॥१॥
प्र वो मरुतस्तविषा उदन्ववो वयोवृधो अश्वयुजः परित्रयः ।
सं विद्युता दधति वागति त्रितः स्वरन्त्यापोऽवना परित्रयः ॥२॥
विद्युन्महसो नरो अश्मद्विद्यवो वातत्विषो मरुतः पर्वतच्युते ।
अब्दया चिन्मुहुरा हादुनीवृतेः स्तनयदमा रभसा उदोजसः ॥३॥

54.

Prá śardhāya mārutāya svābhānava imāṃ vācam anajā
parvatacyúte | gharṁastúbhe divá ā prishṭhayājvane dyum-
náśravase máhi nṛimṇám areata || 1 || prá vo marutas ta-
vishá udanyávo vayovṛidho aśvayújaḥ párijrayaḥ | sám vi-
dyútā dádhati vāsati tritáḥ sváranty āpo 'vánā párijrayaḥ
|| 2 || vidyúnmahaso náro aśmadidyavo vátatvisho marútaḥ
parvatacyútāḥ | abdayá cin múhur á hrāduṇivṛíta staná-
yadamā rabhasá údojasaḥ || 3 ||

व्यक्तृन्मुद्रा व्यहानि शिक्कसो व्यन्तरिक्षं वि रजांसि धृतयः ।
वि यदज्रा अजं नाव ई यथा वि दुर्गाणि मरुतो नाह रिष्यथ ॥४॥
तदीर्य वो मरुतो महित्वनं दीर्घं तंतात् सूर्यो न योजनम् ।
एता न यामे अग्रभीतशोचिषोऽनश्वदां यक्ष्यवातना गिरिम् ॥५॥

vy āktūn rudrā vy āhāni
śikvaso vy āntárikshaṃ ví rájānsi dhūtayaḥ | ví yád ājrañ
ājatha náva im yathā ví durgāṇi maruto náha rishyatha
|| 4 || tád víryāṃ vo maruto mahitvanám dirghám tatāna
sūryo ná yójanam | étā ná yāme āgribhītaśocishó 'naśva-
dām yán ny áyātana girím || 5 ||

Offer praise to the group of the cloud-bearing winds, who are self-irradiating, who can cast the mountains down. May you present liberal oblations to the illustrious divine winds, who absorb the heat; to those who come from the sky, for sacred acts; and to the givers of abundant food. 1

O cloud-bearing winds, your troops are rich in water; they are strengtheners of life, and are your strong bonds; they shed water and augment food, and are harnessed with steeds (waves) that wander far and spread everywhere. Combined with lightning, the triple-group (of wind, cloud and lightning) roars aloud, and the circum-ambient waters fall upon the earth. 2

The clouds appear gleaming with lightning; they are leaders (of rain) armed with adamantine weapons, blazing with the wind and are the over-throwers of mountains; they further are the repeated distributors of water and wielders of the thunder-bolt. Roaring in concert, they send rain, and are of exceeding strength. 3

O powerful cosmic winds, you terribly upset nights and days, you violently shake the firmament and the worlds. You toss the clouds like ships on the sea and you throw down the strongholds of enemy. But, O vital principles you even then do no harm. 4

Your glory, O cloud-winds, is spread far and wide like the sun extending his radiance. Even without hopes, you travel fast on your courses with unbounded lustre, you cleave those clouds which withhold water. 5

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अभ्राजि शर्धो मरुतो यदर्णसं मोषथा वृक्षं कपनेव वेधसः ।
 अधे स्मा नो अरमति सजोषसश्चक्षुरिव यन्तमनु नेषथा सुगम् ॥६॥
 न स जीयते मरुतो न हन्यते न स्नेधति न व्यथते न रिष्यति ।
 नास्य राय उप दस्यन्ति नीतयः कृषिं वा यं राजानं वा सुषुदथ ॥७॥

ábhrāji śārdho maruto yád arṇasām móshathā vṛikshām
 kapanéva vedhasaḥ | ádha smā no arāmatim sajoshasaḥ cá-
 kshur iva yāntam ānu neshathā sugām || 6 || ná sá jiyate
 maruto ná hanyate ná sredhati ná vyathate ná rishyati |
 nāśya ráya úpa dasyanti nótāya řishim vā yām rájānam
 vā súshūdatha || 7 ||

नियुत्वन्तो ग्रामजितो यथा नरोऽर्यमणो न मरुतः कवन्धिनः ।
 पित्वन्त्युत्सं यदिनासो अस्वरन्व्युन्दन्ति पृथिवीं मध्वो अन्धसा ॥८॥
 प्रवत्वतीयं पृथिवीं मरुद्भवः प्रवत्वती द्यौर्भवति प्रयद्भवः ।
 प्रवत्वतीः पृथ्या अन्तरिक्ष्याः प्रवत्वन्तः पर्वता जीरदानवः ॥९॥
 यन्मरुतः सभरसः स्वर्गरः सूर्य उदिति मर्दथा दिवो नरः ।
 न वोऽश्वाः श्रथयन्ताह सिस्त्रतः सद्यो अस्याध्वनः पारमश्रुथ ॥१०॥

niyútvanto grāmajīto yáthā náro 'rya-
 máno ná marútaḥ kabandhínāḥ | pínvanty útsam yád ináśo
 ásvaran vy ùndanti pṛithivím mádhvo ándhasā || 8 || pra-
 vátvatiyām pṛithiví marúdbhyaḥ pravátvati dyaúr bhavati
 prayádbhyaḥ | pravátvatiḥ pathyā antárikshyāḥ pravátvan-
 taḥ párvatā jirádānavaḥ || 9 || yán marutaḥ sabharasaḥ svar-
 naraḥ sūrya údite mádathā divo naraḥ | ná vó 'śvāḥ śratha-
 yantāḥa sísrataḥ sadyó asyádhvanaḥ pāram aśnutha || 10 ||

O cloud-bearing winds, dispensers of rain, your strength is manifested, when, you shake the water-laden clouds, and make them loose the shower. Conjointly propitiated, may you conduct us by an easy path leading to prosperity, as the eye guides the way. 6

The sage, or the sovereign, whom you, O divine wind, direct, is never overcome nor slain. He does not perish, nor suffers pain, nor undergoes injury, nor are his riches or his safety imperilled. 7

These lords of speedy waves, over-comers of multitudes, leaders (of rites), radiant as the ordainers, are the dispensers of water. These loud-sounding sovereign lords fill the clouds, and moisten the earth with sweet watery sustenance. 8

This earth becomes widely extended for the cloud-bearing winds, the heaven becomes spacious for the spreading clouds. The paths of the mid-space become wide extended to provide way to their course. The expanding clouds quickly bestow (their gifts). 9

O clouds of combined strength, leaders and divine guides to the goal of happiness, you are delighted, when the sun has risen up. Then may your rapid waves know no relaxation, but quickly reach the limits of this road. 10

॥११॥ अंसेषु व ऋष्टयः पत्सु खादयो वक्षःसु रुक्मा मरुतो रथे शुभः ।
 अग्निभ्राजसो विद्युतो गर्भस्त्योः शिप्राः शीर्षसु वितता हिरण्ययीः ॥११॥
 तं नाकमर्यो अगृभीतशोचिषं रुद्रात्पिप्पलं मरुतो वि धृनुथ ।
 समच्यन्त वृजनातिविषन्त यस्वरान्ति घोषं विततमृतायवः ॥१२॥
 युष्मादत्तस्य मरुतो विचेतसो रायः स्याम रथ्योऽं वयस्वतः ।
 न यो युच्छति तिष्योऽं यथा दिवोऽंस्मे गरन्त मरुतः सहस्रिणाम् ॥१३॥

ānseshu va ṛishṭāyaḥ patsú khādāyo vākshassu rukmā
 maruto rāthe śubhaḥ | agnībhrajaso vidyúto gābhastyoḥ śi-
 prāḥ śīrshāsu vītata hiraṇyāyīḥ || 11 || tāṃ nākam aryó
 āgṛibhitaśocisham rūṣat píppalam maruto ví dhūnutha |
 sām acyanta vṛijánātītvishanta yāt svāranti ghóṣham víta-
 tam ṛitāyāvaḥ || 12 || yushmādattasya maruto vicetaso rā-
 yāḥ syāma rathyò váyasvataḥ | ná yó yúchati tishyò yāthā
 divò 'smé rāranta marutaḥ sahasrīṇam || 13 ||

युयं रयिं मरुतः स्पार्हवीरं युयमृषिमवथ सामविप्रम् ।
 युयमर्वन्तं भरताय वाजं युयं धत्थ राजानं श्रुष्टिमन्तम् ॥१४॥
 तद्वा यामि द्रविणं सद्यऊतया येना स्वर्णं ततनाम नृरभि ।
 इदं सु मे मरुतो हर्यता वचो यस्य तेरंम तरसा शतं हिमाः ॥१५॥

yūyām rayīm
 maruta spārhāvīraṃ yūyām ṛishim avatha sāmavipram |
 yūyām ārvāntam bharatāya vājaṃ yūyām dhattha rājānaṃ
 śrusṭimāntam || 14 || tād vo yāmi drāviṇaṃ sadyaūtayo
 yēnā svār ná tatānāma nṛīṇr abhī | idāṃ sū me maruto
 haryatā vāco yāsyā tārema tārasā śatām hīmāḥ || 15 ||

Lances gleam, O clouds, upon your shoulders, anklets on your feet, golden chains are on your breasts, and purity shines in your chariots, lightnings blazing with fire glow in your hands, and golden tiaras are laid upon your heads. 11

O clouds, when moving, you shake the vault of splendid heaven beyond conception, and stir the bright water. When you combine your energies and shine brilliantly, and when purposing to send forth the rain you utter aloud shout. 12

O most wise cloud-bearing winds, may we, be the drivers of the car of riches, full of life, that have been bestowed by you. Let that wealth in thousands dwell with us, which never vanishes like the sun or the *tisya* constellation (eighth lunar mansion) in the sky. 13

You bestow, O clouds, wealth and enviable posterity; you offer protection to the Seer, learned in the chanting of verses. You grant vitality and nutrition to the enlightened priests; you provide prosperity to a prince even. 14

Therefore do I solicit wealth of you, from those who are prompt to grant protection, whereby we may multiply our descendants, as the sun spreads wide his rays. Be propitiated O divine clouds, and accept graciously this hymn of mine, so that by the efficacy whereof, may we pass over hundred winters. 15

(५५) पञ्चपञ्चाशत् सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्वस्यास्य सूक्तस्यामेवः श्वावाथ ऋषिः । मरुतो देवताः । (१-९) प्रथमादित्यर्चा ऋग्वेदी,

(१०) दशम्याश्च विष्णुश्च छन्दसा ॥

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प्रयज्यवो मरुतो भ्राजदृष्टयो बृहदयो दधिरे रुक्मवक्षसः ।
 ईर्यन्ते अश्वैः सुयमेभिर्गुग्भिः शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥१॥
 स्वयं दधिध्वे तविषीं यथा विद बृहन्महान्त उर्विया वि गजय ।
 उत्तान्तरिक्षं ममिरे व्योजन्ता शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥२॥
 साकं जाताः सुभ्यः साकमुक्षिताः श्रिये चिदा प्रतरं वावृधुर्नरः ।
 विरोकिणः सूर्यस्येव रश्मयः शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥३॥

55.

Práyajyavo marúto bhrájadṛisṭayo bṛihád váyo dadhire
 rukmávakshasaḥ | íyante áśvaiḥ suyámebhir āśúbhiḥ śú-
 bhaṃ yātám ánu ráthā avṛitsata || 1 || svayám dadhidhve
 távishim yáthā vidá bṛihán mahānta urviyá ví rājatha |
 ntántáriksham mamire vy ójasā śúbhaṃ yātám — || 2 || sá-
 kám jātáḥ subhvaḥ sákám ukshitáḥ śriyé cid á pratarám
 vāvṛidhur náraḥ | virokīṇaḥ sūryasyeva raśmáyaḥ śúbhaṃ
 yātám — || 3 ||

आभूषेण्यं वो मरुतो महित्वानं दिदृक्षेण्यं सूर्यस्येव चक्षेणम् ।
 उतो अस्मां अमृतत्वे दधातु शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥४॥
 उदीरयथा मरुतः समुद्रतो यूयं वृष्टिं वर्षयथा पुरीषिणः ।
 न वो दत्त्वा उप दस्यन्ति धेनवः शुभं यातामनु रथा अवृत्सत ॥५॥

ābhūshényaṃ vo maruto mahitvanám didṛi-
 kshényaṃ sūryasyeva cākshaṇam | utó asmāñ amṛitavé
 dadhātana śúbhaṃ yātám — || 4 || úd īrayathā marutaḥ sa-
 mudrató yūyám vṛisṭīm varshayathā purīṣiṇaḥ | ná vo
 dasrā úpa dasyanti dhenávaḥ śúbhaṃ yātám — || 5 ||

The adorable cloud-bearing winds, armed with bright lances and with their breasts adorned with gold rushing onwards hold vigorous existence. They move on swift, well-controlled horses. May their chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 1

O clouds, you yourself maintain vigour according to your judgment. You shine most widely and majestically. You pervade the mid-air with your power. May their chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 2

These simultaneously formed mighty clouds, co-dispensers of moisture, grow to great majesty. They are leaders, and resplendent, as the rays of the sun. May their chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 3

Your mightiness, O clouds, deserves to be adorned. A visit to you is worthy to be longed for, for your beauty is like the orb of the sun. So, lead us with your aid to immortality. May their chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 4

O cloud-bearing winds, you uplift waters from the ocean and charged with moisture, you shower down the rain. O destroyers of foes, your milch kine are never dry. May their chariots incessantly move onward, when they proceed for our welfare. 5

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यदश्वा॑न्धृषु॑ पृष॑तीरयु॑ग्ध्वं॑ हिर॑ण्ययान्प्रत्य॑त्का॑ अमु॑ग्ध्वम् ।
 विश्वा॑ इत्स्पृ॑धो मरु॑तो व्यस्य॑थ शुभं॑ या॒तामनु॑ रथा॑ अवृ॒त्सन्त ॥६॥
 न पर्व॑ता न नद्यो॑ वर॒न्त वो यत्रा॑विध्वं॑ मरु॑तो गच्छ॑धेदु॒ तत् ।
 उ॒त यावा॑पृथि॒वी याथ॑ना परि॒ शुभं॑ या॒तामनु॑ रथा॑ अवृ॒त्सन्त ॥७॥
 यत्पु॑र्व्यं मरु॑तो यच्च॑ नृ॒तन्तं यदु॑द्यते॒ वस॑वो यच्च॑ शस्य॑ते ।
 विश्वे॑स्य॒ तस्य॑ भव॒था नवे॑दसः शुभं॑ या॒तामनु॑ रथा॑ अवृ॒त्सन्त ॥८॥

yád áṣvān dhūrshú prīshatīr áyugdhvam hiranyāyān
 práty átkāñ ámugdhvam | víṣvā it sprīdho maruto vy āsya-
 tha śubham yātām — || 6 || ná párvatā ná nadyò varanta
 vo yátrácidhvam maruto gáchathéd u tát | utá dyāvāpri-
 thiví yāthanā pári śubham yātām — || 7 || yát pūrvyām
 maruto yác ea nūtanam yád udyáte vasavo yác ea śas-
 yáte | víṣvasya tásya bhavathā návedasaḥ śubham yātām
 — || 8 ||

मृ॒तन्तं॑ नो मरु॑तो मा व॑धि॒ष्टना॑स्मभ्यं॒ शर्म॑ बहु॒लं वि य॑न्तन ।
 अधि॑ स्तोत्र॒स्य स॒ख्यस्य॑ गा॒तन् शुभं॑ या॒तामनु॑ रथा॑ अवृ॒त्सन्त ॥९॥
 यू॒यम॑स्मा॒न्नय॑न्त॒ वस्यो॑ अ॒च्छा निर॑ह॒तिभ्यो॑ मरु॑तो गृ॒णानाः॑ ।
 जुष॑ध्वं नो ह॒व्यदी॑ति यज॒त्रा वयं॑ स्या॒म पत॑यो र॒यि॒णाम् ॥१०॥

mṛilāta no maruto mā vadhishṭanāsmábhyam śarma
 bahulām ví yantana | ádhi stotrásya sakhyásya gātana śu-
 bham yātām — || 9 || yūyām asmān nayata vāso áchā nīr
 aṇhatībhyo maruto grīṇānāḥ | jushádhvam no havyádātīm
 yajatrā vayām syāma pátayo rayiṇām || 10 ||

When you yoke your spotted draught-animals (or tracting motors) to the poles of your chariots, you put your golden mantles on, O cloud-bearing winds, you disperse all hostile elements. May their chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 6

Let not the mountains, let not the rivers keep you back; whither you resolve to go, O clouds, thither you proceed, and compass heaven and earth. May their chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 7

O cloud-bearing winds, whatever is old, whatever is of recent time, whatever is recited, O Lords of comforts, whatever prayer is repeated, may you take cognizant of all that. May the chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 8

Be gracious unto us, O cloud-bearing winds; harm us not, extend unto us uninterrupted happiness. May you pay due regards unto our friendship and our praise. May the chariots incessantly move onward when they proceed for our welfare. 9

May you, O cloud-bearing winds, propitiated by our praise, lead us to opulence. May you extricate us from sin. Accept, O adorable clouds, our offered oblation. And may we be the possessors of abundant riches. 10

(५६) ऋग्वेदायां सूक्तम्

(१-५) नवर्षस्यास्य सूर्यस्याग्नेः शवावाभः सर्गः । मरुतो देवताः । (१-३, ४-६, ८-९) प्रथमाद्विती-
ययोर्ऋचोऽधुनोर्चोदितृवस्याष्टमीनवम्योश्च बृहती. (१, ७) तृतीयासप्तम्योश्च सप्तोर्बृहती उन्दर्सी ॥

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अग्ने शर्वन्तुमा गुणं पिष्टं रुक्मेभिरञ्जिभिः ।
विशो अय मरुतामव ह्वये दिवश्चिद्रोचनादधि ॥१॥
यथा चिन्मन्थमे हृदा तदिन्मे जग्मुराशमे ।
ये ते नेदिष्ठं हर्वनान्यागमन्तान्वर्ध भीमसंहताः ॥२॥

56.

Āgne śārdhantam ā gaṇām piṣṭām rukmébbhir añji-
bhiḥ | viśo adyā marūtām āva hvaye divas̥ eid rocanād
ādhi || 1 || yāthā cin mānyase hṛidā tād in me jagmur āśa-
saḥ | yé te nédishṭham hāvauāny āgāman tán vardha bhī-
māsamdr̥ṣaḥ || 2 ||

मीळुष्मन्तीव पृथिवी पराहता मदन्त्येत्यस्मदा ।
ऋक्षे न वो मरुतः शिर्मावाँ अमो दुध्रो गोर्विव भीमयुः ॥३॥
नि ये रिणन्त्योजसा वृथा गावो न दुर्धुरः ।
अश्मानं चित्स्वर्यं पर्वते गिरिं प्र च्यावयन्ति यामभिः ॥४॥
उत्तिष्ठ नूनमेषां स्तोमैः समुक्षितानाम् ।
मरुताँ पुस्तममपृव्यँ गवाँ सर्गमिव ह्वये ॥५॥

mīlūshmatīva prithivī parāhatā mādanty
ety asmād ā | rīksho ná vo marutaḥ śimivāñ āmo dudhró
gaúr iva bhīmayaúḥ || 3 || ní yé riṇánty ójasā vṛithā gávo
ná durdhúraḥ | āsmānam cit svaryām párvatam girim prá
cyāvayanti yāmabhiḥ || 4 || út tishṭha nūnām eshām stómaiḥ
sāmukshitānām | marūtām purutāmam āpūrvyam gāvām sār-
gam iva hvaye || 5 ||

O adorable God, I invoke the victorious group of divine impulses decorated with brilliant enlightenment, to descend today from the luminous realm of innermost consciousness. 1

In whatever manner you honour them in your heart, may they come to me as benefactors. May you strengthen those impulses, frustrating and fierce in the first appearance, who most promptly come to your invocations. 2

As persons on this earth ruled by powerful Lord, have recourse to him when oppressed, so comes the host of divine impulses clouds exulting to us. O impulses, your group, active as fire, is as difficult to be resisted as a formidable bull. 3

These, the divine impulses, who with mighty prowess over-throw evil ideas, like bulls difficult to be restrained, cause even the heavenly stone to shake,—may you shake the rocky mountains as these (impulses) rush on with speed. 4

Rise up, O divine impulses. Verily, by my praises, I invoke the mighty and unprecedented troop of these exalted group of impulses, strong like a herd of kine. 5

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युङ्ग्ध्वं हरुषी रथे युङ्ग्ध्वं रथेषु गेहितः ।
 युङ्ग्ध्वं हरी अजिरा धुरि वोळहवे वहिष्ठा धुरि वोळहवे ॥६॥
 उत स्य वाज्यंरुपस्तुविष्वाणिग्निह गं धायि दर्शतः ।
 मा वो यामेषु मरुतश्चिरं करत्प्र तं रथेषु चोदन ॥७॥
 रथं नु मारुतं वयं श्रवम्युमा हुवामहे ।
 आ यस्मिन्तस्यौ सुरणानि विभ्रती सचा मरुत्सु रोदसी ॥८॥
 तं वः शर्धं रथेशुभं त्वेषं पतम्युमा हुवे ।
 यस्मिन्तुजाता सुभगा महीयते सचा मरुत्सु माळुषी ॥९॥

yuṅgdhvām hy ārushī rāthe yuṅgdhvām rātheshu ro-
 hitaḥ | yuṅgdhvām hārī ajirā dhurī vōlhave vāhishthā dhurī
 vōlhave || 6 || utā syā vājy ārushās tuvishvānir ihā sma
 dhāyi darṣataḥ | mā vo yāmeshu marutaḥ cīrām karat prā
 tāṁ rātheshu codata || 7 || rātham nū mārutam vayām śra-
 vasyūm ā huvāmahe | ā yāsmīn tasthau surāṇāni bibhratī
 sácā marútsu rodasī || 8 || tāṁ vaḥ śardham ratheṣúbham
 tveshām panasyūm ā huve | yāsmīn sújātā subhágā ma-
 hīyáte sácā marútsu mīlbushī || 9 ||

(५७) समपञ्चमं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयः इषावाथ ऋषिः । मरुतो देवताः । (१-९) प्रथमादिपदयो जगती.

(७-८) समम्यष्टम्योऽथ त्रिष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

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आ रुद्रासु इन्द्रवन्तः सजोषमो हिरण्यग्थाः सुविताय गन्तन ।
 इयं वो अस्मत्प्रति हर्यते मनिस्तृष्णजे न दिव उत्सा उदुन्यवे ॥१॥

57.

Ā rudrāsa indravantaḥ sajóshaso hīraṇyarathāḥ suvitāya
 gantana | iyām vo asmāt prāti haryate matīs trishṇāje nā
 divā útsā udānyāve || 1 ||

Yoke the bright horses (pure and soothing motivations) to your chariot, yoke the red horses (active and pleasing motivations) to your chariot, yoke the swift pair of horses to bear the burthen; the strong bearing to bear the burthen. 6

And let not that horse bright-shining, loud-neighing, of graceful form, who has been yoked, delay you, O divine impulses, on your journey, may you urge him on in the chariot. 7

We invoke the glorious chariot, in which the supraconscious and outer most realms of human complex are mounted along with the divine impulses, bearing the delightful bliss. 8

I invoke that brilliant troop of yours in the chariot, adorable and graceful, amidst which the auspicious bliss-bestowing goddess of divine origin, is invoked with the divine impulses. 9

Of one accord, with the resplendent sun, O cosmic vital principles, come borne on your golden chariot, for our prosperity. This praise is addressed to you, as unto one who is thirsty for water of heavenly springs. 1

वाशीमन्त ऋष्टिमन्तो मनीषिणः सुधन्वान् इषुमन्तो निषङ्गिणः ।
 स्वश्वाः स्व सुरधाः पृश्निमातरः स्वायुधा मरुतो याथना शुभम् ॥२॥
 धुनुथ द्यां पर्वतान्वाशुषे वसु नि वो वना जिहते यामनो भिया ।
 कोपयथ पृथिवीं पृश्निमातरः शुभे यदुग्राः पृषतीरयुग्धम् ॥३॥
 वातत्विषो मरुतो वर्षनिर्णिजो यमा इव सुसदृशः सुपेशसः ।
 पिडाङ्गाश्वा अरुणाश्वा अरेपसुः प्रत्वक्षसो महिना यौरिवोरवः ॥४॥
 पुरुद्रप्सा अञ्जिमन्तः सुदानवस्त्वेषसंदृशो अनवभ्रराधसः ।
 सुजातासो जनुषा रुक्मवक्षसो दिवो अर्का अमृतं नाम भेजिरे ॥५॥

vāṣīmanta riṣṭimānto manīṣi-
 naḥ sudhānvāna iṣhumanto nishaṅgīṇaḥ | svāśvā stha su-
 rāthāḥ priṣnimātarāḥ svāyudhā maruto yāthanā śubham
 || 2 || dhūnuthā dyām pārvatān dāśūshe vāsu nī vo vānā
 jihate yāmano bhiyā | kopāyatha prithivīm priṣnimātarāḥ
 śubhé yād ugrāḥ priṣhatīr āyugdhvam || 3 || vātativisho ma-
 rūto varshānirṇijo yamā iva sūsadrīṣaḥ supēśasaḥ | piṣāṅ-
 gāśvā aruṇāśvā arepāsaḥ prātvakshaso mahinā dyaúr ivo-
 rávaḥ || 4 || purudrapsā añjimāntaḥ sudānavas tveshāsam-
 drīṣo anavabharrādhasaḥ | sujātāso janúshā rukmāvakshaso
 divó arkā amṛitam náma bhejire || 5 ||

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ऋष्टयो वो मरुतो अंसयोरधि सह ओजो बाह्वोर्वो बलं हितम् ।
 तृष्णा शीर्षस्वायुधा रथेषु वो विश्वा वः श्रीरधि तनुषु पिपिशे ॥६॥
 गोमदश्वावद्रथवत्सुवीरं चन्द्रवद्राधो मरुतो ददा नः ।
 प्रज्ञस्ति नः कृणुत रुद्रियासो भक्षीय वोऽवसो देव्यस्य ॥७॥

riṣṭāyo vo maruto ānsayor ādhi sāha ójo bāhvór vo
 hálam hitám | nṛimṇā śīrshāśv āyudhā rátheshu vo víśvā
 vaḥ śrír ādhi tanúshu pipiṣe || 6 || gómad āśvāvad ráthavat
 súvīram candrávad rádhō maruto dadā naḥ | prāśastim naḥ
 kṛiṇuta rudriyāso bhakshiyā vó 'vaso daívyasya || 7 ||

O cloud-bearing winds, full of wisdom, armed with swords, with lances, with bows, with arrows, with quivers, you are well mounted and have handsome chariots; O sons of mid-air, you are well armed, come for our good. 2

You agitate the clouds in the sky. You give wealth to the donor of oblations. Through the fear of your approach the forests bow down. O sons of mid-air, you make earth tremble, when, for the purpose of sending water, you, fierce clouds, yoke your colourful chariots. 3

The cloud-bearing winds are brilliantly radiant and wrapped in their robes of rain water. They are charming like noble twins and of graceful form. They are masters of tawny and of ruddy horses, devoid of guile, destroyers of foes and vast in magnitude as the sky. 4

They (the cloud-bearing winds) are shedders of abundant showers, wearers of ornaments, munificent, of brilliant aspect, yielders of inexhaustible wealth, noble by birth, are adorned with gold upon their breast, singers of the sky, entitled to adoration, they enjoy their immortal fame. 5

Lances rest, O cloud-bearing winds, upon your shoulders. Strength of foe-destroying power rests in your arms and golden turbans are on your head. Your weapons are placed in your chariots and all glorious majesty is moulded on your bodies. 6

O cloud-bearing winds, bestow upon us affluence in cattle and steeds, in cars, treasure, and male descendants. O sons of cosmic principles, grant us high distinction. May I ever enjoy your divine favour and protection. 7

हये नरो मरुतो मृळता नस्तुवीमघासो अमृता कनैजाः ।
सत्यश्रुतः कवयो युवानो बृहद्गिरयो बृहदुक्षमाणाः ॥८॥

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náro māruto mṛlātā nas tūvīmaghāso āmṛitā rītajñāḥ | sā-
tyaśrutah kavayo yūvāno bṛihadgīrayo bṛihad ukshāmāṇāḥ
॥ 8 ॥

(५८) अष्टपञ्चाशं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टवस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्रेयः श्वावाश्च ऋषिः । मरुतो देवताः । विष्णु चन्द्रः ॥

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तमु नूनं तविषीमन्तमेषां स्तुपे गुणं मरुतं नव्यसीनाम् ।
य आश्वश्वा अमवद्वहन्त उतेदिरि अमृतस्य स्वरजः ॥१॥
त्वेपं गुणं तवसं खादिहस्तं धुनिव्रतं मायितं दातिवारम् ।
मयोभुवो ये अमिता महित्वा वन्दस्व विप्र तुविराधसो नृच ॥२॥
आ वो यन्तुदवाहासो अद्य वृष्टिं ये विश्वे मरुतो जुनन्ति ।
अयं यो अग्निर्मरुतः समिद्ध एतं जुषध्वं कवयो युवानः ॥३॥
यूयं राजानमिर्यं जनाय विभ्वतष्टं जनयथा यजत्राः ।
युष्मदेति मुष्टिहा बाहुजूतो युष्मत्सदश्चो मरुतः सुवीरः ॥४॥

58.

Tām u nūnām tāviśīmāntam eśhām stushé gaṇām mā-
rutam nāvyaśinām | yā āśvāśvā ānavad vāhanta utēṣire
amṛītasya svarājah || 1 || tveshām gaṇāni tavāsam khādiha-
stam dhūnivratam māyīnam dātivāram | mayobhūvo yé
āmitā mahitvá vāndasva vipra tuvīrādhaso nṛīn || 2 || ā vo
yantūdavāhāso adyā vṛiśhtīm yé viśve marūto junānti |
ayām yó agnīr marutah sāmiddha etām jushadhvam kavayo
yuvānah || 3 || yūyām rājānam iryam jānāya vibhvatashṭām
janayathā yajatrāḥ | yushmād eti muṣṭīhā bāhūjūto yu-
śhmād sādāṣvo marutah suvīrah || 4 ||

O cloud-bearing winds, leaders of ceremonies, be propitious to us. You are infinitely opulent, immortal, be gracious to us. You are rich in treasures, renowned for truth, wise and young. You are greatly glorified and worshipped with copious oblations. 8

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I glorify today that self-brilliant group of the adorable cosmic cloud-bearing winds, lords of swift moving forces, who pass along in strength, who are self-radiant, and maintain control over ambrosial rains. 1

O devotee, glorify extremely brilliant and powerful troop of clouds, decorated with hand-bracelets, and which is agitator and wise; whose individuals are conferers of wealth, bestowers of felicity, and whose greatness is unbounded. May you glorify these leaders. 2

May the universal divine winds, who impell the rain, come to you, today laden with water. They are very wise and ever-young. This fire, rain-bearing clouds, is newly-kindled; may it find favour with you. 3

O benevolent divine winds, with your blessings a son is born to the man, who would be a ruler and over-comer of adversaries or who would be skilled architect. From your blessings, comes a valiant descendant, strong-fisted (a boxer), mighty-armed; and by your grace, he becomes a possessor of excellent horses. 4

अरा इवेदचरमा अहेव प्रप्र जायन्ते अकवा महोभिः ।
 पृश्नेः पुत्रा उपनासो रभेष्ठाः स्वया मृत्युः सं मिमिक्षुः ॥५॥
 यन्प्रायासिष्ट पृषतीभिरश्वैर्वीळुपविभिर्मरुतो रथेभिः ।
 क्षोदन्त आपो रिणते वनान्यवोस्त्रियो वृषभः क्रन्दतु द्यौः ॥६॥
 प्रथिष्ट याममृथिवी चिदेपां भर्तेव गर्भं स्वमिच्छवो धुः ।
 वातान्यश्वान्धुर्यायुयुज्रे वृषं स्वेदं चक्रिरे रुद्रियांसः ॥७॥
 हये नरो मरुतो मृळता नस्तुर्वीमघासो अमृता कर्तज्ञाः ।
 सत्वश्रुतः कवयो युवानो बृहद्भिरयो बृहदुक्षमाणाः ॥८॥

ará ivéd ácaramā
 áheva prá-pra jāyante ákavā máhobhiḥ | priṣneḥ putrá upa-
 máso rábhishṭhāḥ sváyā matyā marútaḥ sám mimikshuḥ
 || 5 || yát práyāsisṭṭa priṣhatibhir áṣvair viḷupavibhir ma-
 ruto ráthebhiḥ | kshódanta ápo riṇaté vānāny ávosríyo vṛi-
 shabhāḥ krandatu dyaúḥ || 6 || práthisṭṭa yáman priṭhiví
 cid eshām bhárteva gárbhaṁ svām íc chávo dhuḥ | vātān
 hy áṣvān dhury áyuyujré varshāṁ svédaṁ cakrire rudrí-
 yāsaḥ || 7 || hayé náro máruto — || 8 ||

(५९.) एकौनपष्टितमं मृतम्

(१-८) अष्टर्षस्यास्य मृतस्यात्रियः द्यावाश्च क्रविः । मरुतो देवताः । (१-७) प्रथमादिसप्तर्षा
 जगती, (८) अष्टम्याश्च विष्टुप् छन्दसी ॥

॥२४॥

प्र वः स्पष्टक्रन्तुयिताय द्यावनेऽर्ची दिवे प्र पृथिव्या कृतं भरे ।
 उक्षन्ते अश्वान्तरुषन्त आ रजोऽनु स्वं भानुं श्रथयन्ते अर्णवेः ॥१॥

Prá va spál akran suvitāya dāvāné 'reā divé prá pri-
 thivyā ritām bhare | ukshānte áṣvān tárushanta á rájó 'nu
 svām bhānūṁ śrathayante arṇavāiḥ || 1 ||

Like the spokes of a wheel, none of you are inferior to the rest, but equal in measure as days. These sons of mid-air are born off all alike. None is inferior in splendour, and all are rapid in speed; these divine winds pour rain of their own free will. 5

O divine winds, when you come with stout-axled cars drawn by coloured horses, the waters are disturbed, the forests are shattered; let the sky the showerer of rain thunder and pierced by the solar rays, may it send his roar downward. 6

On their approach the earth becomes capable of fertility, and they deposit water in her as their germ, as the husband generates the embryo of the child. They harness their vital horses' fleet as the wind. The clouds are offsprings of cosmic vita principles whose sweat becomes the rain. 7

O divine winds, the leading heroes, be gracious to us. You are infinitely opulent, immortal, law-abiding, renowned for truth, youthful poets, greatly glorified, and worshipped with profuse adorations. 8

The priest glorifies you, O divine winds, for the good of the donor of the oblation. May he offer worship to the shining midspace and to the earth. They (the cloud-bearing winds) scatter the rapid rain and traverse the firmament. They extend far and wide their radiance up to the sea. 1

अमदिषां भिवसा भूमिरजति नौरं पुर्णा क्षरति व्यथिर्धती ।
 दुरेदृशो ये चितयन्त एमभिरन्तर्मेहे विदथे येतिरे नरः ॥२॥
 गवाभिव श्रियसे शृङ्गमुत्तमं सूर्यो न चक्षु रजसो विसर्जने ।
 अत्या इव सुभ्वश्चारवः स्थन मर्या इव श्रियसे चेतथा नरः ॥३॥
 को वो महान्ति महतामुदश्वत्कस्काव्या मरुतः को ह पौंस्या ।
 यूयं ह भूमिं किरणं न रेजथ प्र यद्भरध्वे सुविताय दावने ॥४॥

āmād eshām bhi-
 vāsā bhūmir ejati naúr ná pūrṇā ksharati vyáthir yatí |
 dūredṛśo yé citáyanta émabhir antár mahé vidáthe yetire
 nárah ॥ 2 ॥ gávām iva śriyāse śṛṅgam uttamām sūryo ná
 cākshū rájaso visárjane | átyā iva subhvaṣ cāraṇa sthana
 máryā iva śriyāse cetathā narah ॥ 3 ॥ kó vo mahánti ma-
 hatām úd aṣnavat kás kávyā marutaḥ kó ha paúnsyā | yū-
 yām ha bhūmim kirāṇam ná rejatha prá yád bháradhve
 suvitáya dāvāne ॥ 4 ॥

अश्वा इवेदरुपासः सर्वन्धवः शूरो इव प्रयुधुः प्रोत युयुधुः ।
 मर्या इव सुवृधो वावृधुर्नरः सूर्यस्य चक्षुः प्र मिनन्ति वृष्टिभिः ॥५॥
 ते अज्येष्टा अकनिष्ठास उद्भिदोऽमध्यमासो महसा वि वावृधुः ।
 सुजातासो जुनुषा पृश्निमातरो दिवो मर्या आ नो अच्छा जिगातन ॥६॥
 वयो न ये श्रेणीः प्रमुरोजसान्तान्दिवो बृहतः सानुनस्पति ।
 अश्वास एषामुभये यथा विदुः प्र पर्वतस्य नभनूरं चुच्यवुः ॥७॥

āṣvā ivéd arushāsaḥ sábandhavaḥ
 śūra iva prayúdhah prótá yuyudhuḥ | máryā iva suvr̥dho
 vāvṛidhur nárah sūryasya cākshuḥ prá minanti vṛiṣṭibhiḥ
 ॥ 5 ॥ té ajyeshṭhā ákanishṭhāsa udbhidó 'madhyamāso má-
 hasā ví vāvṛidhuḥ | sujātāso janúshā pṛiṣnimātaro divó
 máryā á no áchā jigātana ॥ 6 ॥ váyo ná yé śreṇiḥ paptúr
 ójasántān divó bṛihatāḥ sánunas pári | āṣvāsa eshām ubháye
 yáthā vidúḥ prá párvatasya nabhanúir acueyavuh ॥ 7 ॥

The earth shakes and reels in terror at their onward rush as a crowded boat goes quivering. Visible from afar, they are recognized by their movements. The divine winds, heroes, pass between heaven and earth to the place of work and worship. 2

You bear, for your decoration, an excellent (diadem) like the horn of cattle. And like the sun, the eye (of day), dispell darkness. You are diligent, graceful, and rapid as horses, and you are conscious to earn glory like mortals. 3

O mighty divine winds, who may exalt the great mighty excellencies of you? Who may (offer you fitting) praises? Who may glorify your manly deeds? For, you verily make the earth tremble like a ray of light, when you confer the gift of rain for fertility. 4

Resplendent as steeds of one kindred, they engage in combat like valiant champions. Like prosperous men, they, the leaders, augment in strength and cover the eye of the sun with their showers. 5

None of them are older, not one the younger than the others, the destroyers of foes, none hold a middle rank, but all excell in glory. Noble by birth, having mid-space for your mother, may you, O divine wind, come from heaven to our presence, and be gracious to mankind. 6

Like birds of air, they flow with might in rows from heaven's high ridges to the borders of the sky. Their motivations cause the waters of the cloud to descend, as both mortals know. 7

मिमातु द्यौरदितिर्वितये नः सं दानुचित्रा उषसो यतन्ताम् ।
आचुच्यवुर्दिव्यं कोशमित ऋषे रुद्रस्य मरुतो गृणानाः ॥८॥

mí-

mātu dyaúr áditir vītáye nah sám dánueitrā ushásō yatan-
tām | ácucyavur divyām kōśam etá řishe rudráśya marúto
grīnānāḥ ॥ 8 ॥

(६०) षष्ठितमं सूक्तम्

(१-८) अष्टव्यास्य सूक्तस्यावेयः द्यावाश्च ऋषिः । मरुतोऽग्नौ मरुतो वा देवते । (१-६)

प्रथमादिनृचद्वयस्य त्रिष्टुप् , (७-८) सप्तम्यष्टम्योक्तयोश्च जगती छन्दसी ॥

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ईळे अग्निं स्ववसं नमोभिर्हि प्रसत्तो वि चयत्कृतं नः ।
रथैरिव प्र भरे वाजयद्विः प्रदक्षिणिन्मरुतां स्तोममृध्याम् ॥१॥
आ ये तस्युः पृषतीषु श्रुतासु सुखेषु रुद्रा मरुतो रथेषु ।
वनां चिदुग्रा जिहते नि वो भियां पृथिवी चिद्रेजते पर्वताश्चत् ॥२॥
पर्वतश्चिन्महि वृद्धो विभाय दिवश्चित्सानुः रेजत स्वने वः ।
यत्कील्लथ मरुत ऋष्टिमन्त आप इव सध्व्यश्चो धवध्वे ॥३॥

60.

Īḷe agnīm svávasam námobhír ihá prasattó ví cayat
kṛitām nah | ráthair iva prá bhare vājayádbhiḥ pradakshi-
nín marútām stómam řidhyām ॥ 1 ॥ á yé tasthúḥ prīshatī-
shu řrutáśu sukhéśhu rudrá marúto rátheshu | vānā eid
ugrā jihate ní vo bhiyá prithiví eid rejate párvataṣ cit
॥ 2 ॥ párvataṣ ein máhi vřiddhó bibhāya diváṣ cit sánu re-
jata svané vaḥ | yát krīlatha maruta řisṭīmánta āpa iva
sadhryāñco dhavadhve ॥ 3 ॥

May the heaven and the earth yield rain for our sustenance; may the wonderfully bounties dawn's toil for us glittering with moisture. May these sons of cosmic vitals, lauded by sages, send down the heavenly treasure. 8

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I praise with reverence the gracious adorable Lord with hymns. May he, propitiated on this occasion, approve of our acts. May I be full of riches like a chariot full of precious treasures. May I divinely blessed exalt vital principles and thereby become prosperous. 1

O fierce divine winds, offsprings of cosmic vitality, (when you come) mounted, on aura of waves, drawn by speedy currents to the woods bow down in terror, and the earth, even the mountains, tremble. 2

The mountain, though vast and lofty, is alarmed at your roaring, and the summit of the firmament trembles, when, lance-armed cloud-bearing winds move sportingly. You rush along together like the waters. 3

वरा इवेद्रेवतासो हिरण्यैरभि स्वधाभिस्तन्वः पिपिश्रे ।
 श्रिये श्रेयांसस्तवसो रवेषु सत्रा महांसि चक्रिरे तनूषु ॥४॥
 अज्येष्ठासो अकनिष्ठास एते सं आतरो वावृधुः सोमगाव ।
 युवा पिता स्वपा रुद्र एषां सुदुघा पृश्निः सुदिना मरुद्भवः ॥५॥
 यदुत्तमे मरुतो मध्यमे वा यद्विषमे सुभगासो दिविष्ठ ।
 अतो नो रुद्रा उत वा न्वस्यामे वित्ताद्विषो ययजाम ॥६॥

varā ivéd raivatāso hīranyair
 abhī svadhābhis tanvāḥ pipisre | śriyē śréyāṁsas tavāso
 rātheshu satrā māhānsi cakrire tanūṣhu || 4 || ajyeshthāso
 ākanishthāsa eté sām bhrātaro vāvṛidhuḥ saubhagāya |
 yūvā pitā svāpā rudrā eshām sudūghā pṛṣṇiḥ sudīnā ma-
 rūdbhyaḥ || 5 || yād uttamé maruto madhyamé vā yād vā-
 vamé subhagāso divī shthā | átó no rudrā utá vā nv āsyā-
 gne vittād dhaviṣho yād yājāma || 6 ||

अग्निश्च यन्मरुतो विश्ववेदसो दिवो वहध्व उत्तरादधि ण्णुभिः ।
 त मन्दसाना धुनयो रिशादसो वामं धत्त यजमानाय सुन्वते ॥७॥
 अग्ने मरुद्भिः शुभयद्विषैर्ऋकभिः सोमं पिव मन्दसानो गणश्रिभिः ।
 पावकैर्भिरिष्यमिन्वेभिरागुभिर्वैश्वानर प्रदिवा केतुना सज्जः ॥८॥

agnīś ca yān maruto
 viṣvavedaso divó vāhadhva úttarād-ādhi ṣhṇúbhiḥ | té
 mandasānā dhúnayo riśādaso vāmām dhatta yājamānāya
 sunvaté || 7 || āgne marúdbhiḥ ṣubháyadbhir rikvabhiḥ só-
 mam piba mandasānó gaṇasṛibhiḥ | pāvakébhīr viṣvaminvé-
 bhir āyúbhir vaiśvānara pradivā ketunā sajūḥ || 8 ||

Like wealthy bridegrooms, who have decorated their persons with glittering golden ornaments, the noble and powerful cloud-bearing winds, seated together in their speedy chariots, set their splendours on their forms for ever. 4

Like brothers, of whom no one is elder, no one younger, they grow up together for their mutual prosperity. Their father, the cosmic vitality, is ever-youthful, doer of good deeds, and their mother, the midspace, who is easy to be milked, make their days favourable for their growth. 5

Auspicious cloud-bearing winds, may you come to us, whether you abide in the upper, the middle, or the lower heaven. O cosmic vital principles, come to us from thence; and O fire-divine, accept our homage offered to you today. 6

O divine winds, lords of all, since you and fire-divine abide above the summits of the upper region of the sky, may you, who cause your enemies to tremble, and who rejoice in destroying the adverse elements be pleased to bestow prosperity upon the dedicated workers and devotees. 7

Associated with cloud-bearing winds, gleaming, singing and gathering in groups, whilst purifying and animating the universe, O fire-divine, the universal leaders, the possessor of banner-like bright flames, may you accept our devotional love, with delight. 8

(६१) एकपष्टिनमं मूलम्

(१-१९) एकोनविंशत्पुनस्तस्यास्य स्रुतस्यानेयः श्वावाथ ऋषिः । (१-४, ११-१६) प्रथमादिचतुर्कृत्वा-

मेकादश्यादिपण्याश्च मरुतः, (५-८) पञ्चम्यादिचतसृणां तरन्तमहिषी शशीयमी, (९)

नवम्या वेदश्विः पुनमीन्द्रः, (१०) दशम्या वेदश्विस्तन्तः, (१७-१९) सप्तदश्यादि-

तृचस्य च दास्यो रयवीतिर्देवताः । (१-४, ६-८, १०-२१) प्रथमादि-

चतुर्कृत्वा षष्ठ्यादितृचस्य दशम्यादिद्वादशानाञ्च गायत्री,

(५) पञ्चम्या अनुष्टुप्, (९) नवम्याश्च

सतोद्गृहती छन्दांसि ॥

॥२६॥ के ष्ठा नरः श्रेष्ठतमा य एकैक आयय । परमस्याः परावतः ॥१॥
 क्वोऽश्वाः क्वोऽभीशवः कथं शोकं कथा वयं । पृष्ठे सदा नृसौर्यमः ॥२॥
 जघने चोद एषां वि सक्थानि नरो यमुः । पुत्रकृथे न जनयः ॥३॥
 परा वीरास एतन् मयीसो भद्रं जानयः । अग्नितापो यथासथ ॥४॥
 सनुत्साश्व्यं पशुमुत गव्यं शतावयम् ।
 श्वावाश्चस्तुताय या दौर्वीरायोपवर्द्धहत् ॥५॥

61.

Ké shthā narah śrēsthathamā yā éka-eka āyayā | pa
 ramāsyāḥ parāvataḥ || 1 || kvā vó 'śvāḥ kvābhīṣavaḥ kathāṃ
 ṣeka kathā yaya | pristhé sádo nasór yāmaḥ || 2 || jaghāne
 cōda eshāṃ ví sakthāni náro yamuḥ | putrakṛithé ná jāna-
 yaḥ || 3 || párá vīrāsa etana mārýāso bhádrajānayaḥ | agni-
 tápo yáthāsatha || 4 || sánat sāsavyam paśúm utá gāvyaṃ
 śatāvayam | śyāvāśvastutāya yā dór vīráyopabárbrīhat
 || 5 ||

॥२७॥ उत त्वा स्त्री शशीयसी पुंसो भवति वस्यसी । अदेवत्रादराधसः ॥६॥
 वि या जानाति जसुरिं वि तृष्यन्तं वि कामिनम् । देवत्रा कृणुते मनः ॥७॥
 उत घा नेमो अस्तुतः पुनौ इति ब्रुवे पणिः । स वैरेदेय इत्सुमः ॥८॥

utá tvā strī śāśiyasī puṁsó bhavati vāsyasī | ádevatrād
 arādhāsaḥ || 6 || ví yā jānāti jāsurim ví tṛishyantam ví kā-
 mīnam | devatrā kṛiṇuté mānaḥ || 7 || utá ghā nemo ástutaḥ
 pūmāñ íti bruve pañiḥ | sá vaíradeya ít samāḥ || 8 ||

Who are you, O most excellent leaders, that come one by one from a region exceedingly remote ? 1

Where are your horses ? Where are the reins ? What is your capability ? Where are you going ? Do you have the saddle on your back and the rein in your nostrils ? 2

The whip is laid upon their flanks. The rider forces them to spread their thighs apart, like women in bringing forth children. 3

O heroes, blazing, as if, with fire, since you are friendly to men and of noble birth, may you proceed far and wide on your mission. 4

She, (the Mother Nature), stretches her arms round the hero, who is accomplished with brown speedy horses and she, the same one, gives in wealth and vigour, and hundreds of cattles. 5

An accomplisher of praiseworthy deeds, may she be a woman, is more excellent than a man, who reverences not the God and does not offer wealth in charity. 6

For she discerns one who is weak and worn, one who thirsts and is in want and she sets her mind towards God. 7

And I proclaim that the man, her other half, the greedy, is not worthy of commendation until he also becomes equally liberal in munificent donations. 8

उत मेऽरपयुवतिर्ममन्दुषी प्रति द्यावाय वर्तनिम् ।

वि रोहिता पुरुमीळ्हाय येमतुर्विप्राय दीर्घयाशसे ॥९॥

यो मे धेनुनां शतं वेददश्चिर्यथा ददत् । तरन्त इव मंहना ॥१०॥

utá

me 'rapad yuvatir mamandúshī prāti śyāvāya vartanīm |
vi róhitā purumīlháya yematur víprāya dīrghāyaśase || 9 ||
yó me dhenūnām śatām vaidadaśvir yáthā dádat | tarantá
iva manhánā || 10 ||

॥२८॥ य ईं वहन्त आशुभिः पिबन्तो मदिरं मधु । अत्र श्रवांसि दधिरे ॥११॥
येषां श्रियाधि रोदसी विभ्राजन्ते रथेष्व । दिवि रुक्म इवोपरि ॥१२॥
युवा स मारुतो गणस्त्वेपरं यो अनेयः । शुभंयावाप्रतिष्कृतः ॥१३॥
को वेद नूनमेपां यत्रा मदन्ति धृतयः । क्रतुजाता अरेपसः ॥१४॥
यूयं मर्तं विपन्ववः प्रणेतार इत्या धिया । श्रोतारो यामहूतिषु ॥१५॥

yá inī váhanta āśúbhiḥ pibanto madirām mádhu | átra
śrávānsi dadhire || 11 || yéshām śriyádhi ródasi vibhrájante
rátheshv ā | divi rukmā ivopári || 12 || yúvā sá māruto ga-
nās tvesháratho ánedyah | śubhamyāvápratishkutaḥ || 13 ||
kó veda nūnām eshām yátrā mádanti dhútayah | řitájātā
arepásah || 14 || yūyām mártam vipanyavaḥ pranetára itthā
dhiyā | śrótāro yāmahūtishu || 15 ||

॥२९॥ ते नो वसूनि काम्या पुरुश्चन्द्रा रिशादसः । आ यज्ञियासो ववृत्तन ॥१६॥
एतं मे स्तोममूर्म्यं दारभ्याय परा वह । गिरो देवि रथीरिव ॥१७॥

té no vásūni kām्या puruścandrā řiśādasah | ā yajñi-
yāso vavṛittana || 16 || etām me stómam ūrmye dārbhyāya
parā vaha | gíro devi rathír iva || 17 ||

Young and affable, she divulges the path to me, the possessor of brown speedy horses and the two ruddy horses bear me to the widely reputed sage, who is valiant and renowned. 9

He (the widely reputed sage) the knower of the cosmic mystery, gives me hundreds of treasures, and like a swimmer, takes me across by his spacious boat. 10

These cloud-bearing winds are brought hither by swift horses like waves. They, drinking the inebriating elixir, attain high glory here. 11

They, by whose glory heaven and earth are over-spread, shine splendid in their aura of chariots like the radiant sun in the heaven above. 12

That band of cloud-bearing winds is ever young, riding in bright chariots, irreproachable, auspicious, supra-mobile and unobstructed and steady. 13

Who knows of a certainty where these intimidators of their foes live and rejoice? They are born of the eternal law and are exempt from defects. 14

You are admirable guides to happiness of the man, who propitiates you by his pious deeds. You are quick in response to him, who cries for help. 15

You are destroyers of the malevolent, and are worshipful and abounding in bright wealth. May you bestow upon us the riches that we crave. 16

O goddess, the night, may you convey my praises to divine cloudy winds, who shower water as a charioteer conveys the contents of his vehicle to his destination. 17

उत मे वोचतादिति सुतस्मैभि रथवीतौ । न कामो अप वेति मे ॥१८॥
 एष क्षेति रथवीतिमघवा गोमतीरनु । पर्वतेष्वपश्रितः ॥१९॥

utá me vocatād iti
 sutásome ráthavītau | ná kámo ápa veti me || 18 || eshá
 ksheti ráthavītir maghāvā gómatīr ánu | párvateshv ápaśri-
 taḥ || 19 ||

(६२) द्विषष्टितमं सूक्तम्

(१-५) नवर्वस्यास्य सूक्तस्यात्रेयः ध्रुवविश्विः । मित्रावरुणौ देवते । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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ऋतेन ऋतमपिहितं ध्रुवं वां सूर्यस्य यत्र विमुचन्त्यश्चान ।
 दशं शता सह तस्युस्तदेकं देवानां श्रेष्ठं वपुषामपश्यम् ॥१॥
 तत्सु वां मित्रावरुणा महित्वमीर्मा तस्थुर्गिरहभिर्दुदुहे ।
 विश्वाः पिन्वथः स्वसंरस्य धेना अनु वामेकः पविग ववर्त ॥२॥
 अधारयतं पृथिवीमुत यां मित्रराजाना वरुणा महोभिः ।
 वर्धयन्तमोषधीः पिन्वन्तं गा अव वृष्टिं सृजतं जीरदानू ॥३॥

62.

Ritēna ritām ápihitam dhruvām vām sūryasya yātra vi-
 mucānty áśvān | dáśa śatā sahá tasthus tát ékam devá-
 nām śrēshṭham vāpushām apasyam || 1 || tát sú vām mitrá-
 varuṇā mahitvām īrmā tasthūshīr áhabhīr duduhre | viśvāḥ
 pinvathaḥ svásarasya dhénā ánu vām ékaḥ pavír á vavarta
 || 2 || ádhārayatam pṛithivīm utá dyām mītrarājānā varuṇā
 máhobhiḥ | vardháyatam óshadhiḥ pínvatam gā áva vṛi-
 shṭīm sṛijatam jīradānū || 3 ||

And when the devotional affection is presented, say on my behalf to the chariot-moving ones (cloud-winds) that my loving regards remain the same. 18

This opulent charioteer cloud still dwells upon the banks of the flooded river, and on the skirts of mountains far away. 19

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I have beheld the stationary eternal orb of yours, the Sun, (the source eternal of cosmic energy and cosmic plasma), concealed by cosmic vapours; wherefrom the rays are released. A thousand rays abide together here. This is the most excellent of the embodied forms of Nature's bounties. 1

Exceeding is that your greatness, O Lord of cosmic energy and Lord of cosmic plasma, whereby the felly of the chariot of one amongst you two, the ever revolving, has, through (succeeding) days, milked forth the stationary waters. The felly of the other enables the chariot to go round perpetually. Thus both of you augment all the world-illuminating rays of the self-revolving sun. 2

O splendidous Lord of light and Lord of plasma, by your energies, you uphold earth and heaven. O prompt benefactors, you cause the plants to flourish and give nourishment to the cattle. May you send down the rain. 3

आ वामश्वासः सुयुजो वहन्तु यतरश्मय उप यन्त्वर्वाक् ।
 घृतस्य निर्णिगनु वर्तते वामुष म्निधवः प्रदिवि क्षरन्ति ॥४॥
 अनु श्रुतासमन्ति वर्धदुर्वी वहिग्वि यजुषा रक्षमाणा ।
 नमस्वन्ता धृतदक्षाधि गर्ते मित्रासाथे वरुणेळास्वन्तः ॥५॥

ā vām āśvāsaḥ suyújo va-
 hantu yatāraṣmaya ūpa yantv arvāk | ghṛitāsya nirṇig ānu
 vartate vām ūpa sīndhavaḥ pradivi ksharanti || 4 || ānu ṣru-
 tāṁ amātiṁ vārdhad urvīm barhīr iva yājushā rāksha-
 māṇā | nāmasvantā dhṛitadakshādhi gārte mītrāsāthe varu-
 ṇélāsv antāḥ || 5 ||

॥३॥ अक्रविहस्ता सुकृते परस्पा यं वामाथे वरुणेळास्वन्तः ।
 राजाना क्षत्रमहणीयमाना सहस्रस्थूणं बिभृथः सह द्वौ ॥६॥
 हिरण्यनिर्णिगयो अस्य स्थूणा वि भ्राजते दिव्यश्वाजनीव ।
 भद्रे क्षेत्रे निर्मिता नित्विले वा सनेम मध्यो अधिगर्त्यस्य ॥७॥
 हिरण्यरूपमुपसो व्युष्टावयःस्थूणमुदिता सूर्यस्य ।
 आ रोहथो वरुण मित्र गर्तमन्त्रक्षाये अदिन्ति दिन्ति च ॥८॥
 यदंहिष्टं नातिविधे मुदान् अच्छिष्टं शर्म भुवनस्य गोपा ।
 तेन नो मित्रावरुणावविष्टं सिषासन्तो जिगीवांसः स्याम ॥९॥

ākṛavihastā sukrīte paraspā yāṁ trāsāthe varuṇélāsv
 antāḥ | rājānā kshatrām āhṛiṇīyamānā sahasrasthūṇam bi-
 bhṛithaḥ sahā dvaū || 6 || hiraṇyanirṇig āyo asya sthūṇā vī
 bhrājate divy āśvājanīva | bhadre kshétre nīmitā tīlvile vā
 sanēma mādho ādhigartyasya || 7 || hiraṇyarūpam ushāso
 vyushtāv āyasthūṇam ūditā sūryasya | ā rohatho varuṇa
 mitra gārtam ātaṣ cakshāthe āditiṁ dītiṁ ca || 8 || yād
 bāṇhishṭhaṁ nātivīdhe sudānū āchidraṁ śārma bhuvanasya
 gopā | téna no mītrāvaruṇāv avishtam śīśhāsanto jigīvānsaḥ
 syāma || 9 ||

May your well-harnessed horses bear you both hither, and with well-guided reins come down. The embodied form of water,—the clouds, follow you and the rivers flow to us as ever. 4

O Lord of light and plasma, with all your power and glory, you go on augmenting your reputation more and more, and you give protection to earth, just as the sacrifices are protected with veneration in verses. Abound in food and viands, may you ascend your chariots in the midst of the places of work and worship. 5

You are open-handed and benignant to the performer of pious acts. You protect him in all benevolent works. You two (Lord of energy and plasma), who are sovereigns, and free from wrath, uphold together a dominion based on thousand pillars. 6

Their chariot is adorned with gold; its pillars are of iron, and it glitters in heaven like lightning. The sacrificial altar has been established in an auspicious place along with all devotional requisites. May we share the meath that loads the car-seat. 7

At the break of dawn, at the rising of the sun, O Lord of light and Lord of plasma, ascend your golden-bodied, iron-pillared car, and thence behold the earth and its inhabitants. 8

O munificent Lord of light and Lord of plasma, protectors of the universe, it is up to you to grant us unobstructed and perfect felicity. May you, therefore, bless us with that felicity; may we be prosperous and ever confident of victory. 9

(६३) विषष्टितमं सूक्तम्

(१-७) समर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्यावेयोऽर्चनानां ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणौ देवते । त्रयती छन्दः ॥

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ऋतस्य गोपावधिं तिष्ठथो रथं सत्यधर्माणा परमे व्योमनि ।
 यमत्र मित्रावरुणावथो युवं तस्मै वृष्टिर्मधुमस्पिन्यते दिवः ॥१॥
 सम्राजावस्य भुवनस्य राजथो मित्रावरुणा विदथे स्वर्दशा ।
 वृष्टिं वा राधो अमृतत्वमीमहे द्यावापृथिवी वि चरन्ति तन्यवः ॥२॥
 सम्राजा उग्रा वृषभा दिवस्पती पृथिव्या मित्रावरुणा विचर्षणी ।
 चित्रभिरभ्रेरुप तिष्ठथो रवं द्यां वर्षयथो अमुरस्य मायया ॥३॥
 माया वा मित्रावरुणा दिवि श्रिता सूर्यो ज्योतिश्चरति चित्रमायुधम् ।
 तमभ्रेण वृष्ट्या गृहथो दिवि पर्जन्य दृप्सा मधुमन्त ईरते ॥४॥
 रथं युञ्जते मरुतः शुभे सुखं शूरो न मित्रावरुणा गविष्ठिषु ।
 रजांसि चित्रा वि चरन्ति तन्यवो दिवः सम्राजा पर्यसा न उक्षतम् ॥५॥
 वाचं सु मित्रावरुणाविरावतीं पर्जन्यश्चित्रां वदति त्विषीमनीम् ।
 अग्रा वसत मरुतः सु मायया द्यां वर्षयतमरुणामरेपसम् ॥६॥

63.

Rítasya gopāv ádhi tishṭhatho rátham sátyadharmāṇā
 paramé vyòmani | yám átra mitrávaruṇāvatho yuvám tá-
 smai vṛishṭír mádhumat pinvate diváh || 1 || samrájāv asyá
 bhúvanasya rájatho mít rávaruṇā vidáthe svardrīṣā | vṛishṭīm
 ām rádho amṛitatvām imahe dyāvāpṛithiví ví caranti tan-
 yávaḥ || 2 || samrájā ugrá vṛishabhá divás páti pṛithivyá
 mitrávaruṇā vícarshaṇī | citrébhir abhraír úpa tishṭhatho
 rávam dyám varshayatho ásurasya mâyáyā || 3 || mâyá vām
 mitrávaruṇā diví ṣritá sūryo jyótiṣ carati citráṁ áyudham |
 tám abhréṇa vṛishṭyá gūhatho diví párijanya drapsá má-
 dhumanta írate || 4 || rátham yuñjate marútaḥ ṣubhé sukhám
 śúro ná mitrávaruṇā gávisṭīṣhu | rájáñsi citrá ví caranti
 tanyávo diváh samrájā páyasā na ukshatam || 5 || vácam sú
 mitrávaruṇāv írāvatīm parjanyaṣ citráṁ vadati tvíshima-
 tīm | abhrá vasata marútaḥ sú mâyáyā dyám varshayatam
 aruṇám arepásam || 6 ||

O guardians of eternal truth, and observers of truth, you stand firm in the lofty heaven. O Lord of light and Lord of bliss, whom you protect, to him the cloud sends down its sweet showers from the sky. 1

O Lord of light and bliss, imperial rulers of this world, your glory shines at the place of sacred dedication. You are the beholders of heaven. We ask of you the wealth of rain and immortality. Your radiations traverse all the realms of earth and heaven. 2

O Lord of light and bliss, imperial and mighty showerers, Lords of heaven and earth, beholders of the universe, you approach with variegated clouds to hear the sound of your praises, and cause the sky to send down rains by your well-planned mystic power. 3

O Lord of light and bliss, your device is manifested in heaven, when the sun, your wonderful weapon, moves in the firmament; him you invest in the sky with cloud and rain; and then O clouds, the sweet rain falls. 4

The cloud-bearing winds harness their easy-going chariot, O Lord of light and bliss, for the emission of water, as a hero harnesses his war-car. The fellies of their chariot traverse different spheres of sky to distribute the rain. May you, therefore, O supreme rulers, shed upon us water from heaven. 5

O Lord of light and bliss, the cloud, through your will, roars in mighty and wonderful voice, indicative of radiance, and announcing abundant food; the cloud-bearing winds thoroughly invest the clouds with their well-planned devices and along with them, you two cause the purple and spotless sky to send down rain. 6

धर्मेणा मित्रावरुणा विपश्चिता व्रता रक्षेथे अमुगस्य मायया ।
ऋतेन विश्वं भुवन् वि राजथः सूर्यमा धेत्यो दिवि चित्र्यं रथम् ॥७॥

dhármanā mitrāvaruṇā vipaścītā
vratā rakshethe ásurasya māyáyā | řitēna víśvāṃ bhūva-
naṃ ví rājathaḥ sūryam ā dhattho divi cītryaṃ rátham
॥ 7 ॥

(६४) चतुर्विष्टितमं मूलम्

(१-७) समर्चस्यान्य सत्तत्त्वावेयोऽर्चनाना ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । (१-६) प्रथमादिषट्चामनुष्टुप् ।

(७) समस्याध पङ्क्तिच्छन्दोर्वा ॥

॥२॥ वरुणं वो रिशादसमृचा मित्रं हवामहे । परि व्रजेव वाहोर्जगन्वासा स्वर्णरम् ॥१॥
ता वाहवा मुचेतुना प्र यन्तमस्मा अर्चते । श्वे हि जार्यं वा विश्वांसु क्षासु जोगुवे ॥२॥
यन्नूनमश्यां गतिं मित्रस्य यायां पथा । अस्य प्रियस्य शर्मण्यार्हिसानस्य सश्चिरे ॥३॥
युवाभ्यां मित्रावरुणोपमं धेयामृचा । यद् धये मघोनो स्तोत्राणां च स्पुर्धसे ॥४॥
आनो मित्रमुदीतिभिर्वरुणश्च सुधस्य आ । स्वे धये मघोनां सर्वाणां च वृधसे ॥५॥

64.

Vāruṇaṃ vo riśādasam řicā mitrāṃ havāmahe | pári
vrajéva bāhvór jaganvánsā svārṇaram ॥ 1 ॥ tá bāhāvā suce-
tīnā prá yantam asmā árcate | śevaṃ hí jāryāṃ vāṃ víś-
vāsu kshásu jóguve ॥ 2 ॥ yán nūnām aśyām gátim mitrá-
sya yāyām pathā | áśya priyásya śarmany āhīnsānasya
saścire ॥ 3 ॥ yuvābhyām mitrāvaruṇopamāṃ dheyām řicā |
yád dha ksháye maghónām stotrīnām ca spūrdhāse ॥ 4 ॥ ā
no mitra suditīblir vāruṇaḥ ca sadhástha ā | své ksháye
maghónām sáklīnām ca vřidhāse ॥ 5 ॥

O Sapient Lord of light and bliss, by your law, you afford protection to your sacred determinations, and with the help of vital devices, and law and order you illumine the entire universe, you as well sustain the refulgent vehicle, in the sky. 7

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We invoke you, O Lord of light and bliss, the dispeller of darkness, with this hymn, you encompass round the entire realm of light, as if with penfold of your arms. 1

May you stretch out your arms with loving kindness unto this man who adores you. I shall also be singing forth your glory and liberality in all lands. 2

That I may now move in the right direction, may I proceed by the path shown by the Lord, the divine friend of all; for every one gets protection under the charge of this affectionate friend who harms us not. 3

May I, through my devotion, obtain from you, O Lord of light and bliss, such enviable wealth, that is found in the homes of rich and devout people. 4

Come, O Lord of light; Come O Lord of bliss, with your fair splendour to our assembly, and augment the prosperity of the affluent devotee and of those who are your friends in their respective spheres. 5

युवं नो येषु वरुण भ्रवं बृहच्च विभुधः । उरु णो वाजसातये कृतं राये स्वस्तये ॥६॥
 उच्छन्त्यां मे यजता देवधने रक्षद्भवि ।
 सुतं सोमं न हस्तिभिर्ग पृद्धीवतं नरा विभ्रतावर्चनानंसम् ॥७॥

yuvām no yéshu va-
 ruṇa kshatrām bṛihác ea bibhṛitháh | urú ṇo vájasātaye
 kṛitām rāyé svastāye || 6 || uchāntyām me yajatā deváksha-
 tre rūṣadgavi | sutām sómaṁ nā hastībhir á paḍbhír dhā-
 vatam narā bíbhratāv arcanañnasam || 7 ||

(६५) पञ्चमिदं सूक्तम्

(१-६) पञ्चम्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयो रानहस्य ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । (१-५) प्रथमादिपञ्चमामनुष्टुप् ।

(६) पञ्चमाथ पङ्क्तिरान्दसी ॥

॥३॥ यश्चिक्ते स सुकनुदेवरा स ब्रवीतु नः । वरुणो यस्य दर्शनो मित्रो वा वनते गिरः ॥१॥
 ता हि श्रेष्ठवर्त्तमा राजाना दीर्घश्रुत्तमा । ता सत्यनी कृतावृधं कृतावाना जनेजने ॥२॥
 ता वामियानोऽवसे पूर्वा उपे द्वे सचा । स्वश्वासः सुचेतुना वाजो अभि प्रदावने ॥३॥
 मित्रो अंहोश्चिदादुरुक्षयाय गानु वनते । मित्रस्य हि प्रतृवतः सुमतिरस्ति विधुतः ॥४॥

65.

Yāṣ eikéta sā sukrátur devatrā sā bravītu naḥ | vāruṇo
 yāśya darśatō mitrō vā vānate gírah || 1 || tā hí ṣrēshṭha-
 varcasā rájānā dīrghaśrúttamā | tā sátpatī ṛitāvṛídha ṛitā-
 vānā jáne-jane || 2 || tā vām iyānó 'vase pūrvā úpa bruve
 sácā | svāṣvāsaḥ sú cetúnā vājāñ abhí prá dāvāne || 3 || mi-
 trō aṇhōṣ cid ād urú ksháyāya gātúm vanate | mitrásya
 hí pratūrvataḥ sumatír āsti vidhatāḥ || 4 ||

O Lord of light and bliss, may you bring us strength and abundant food in response of our those praises, which we offer. May you be largely bountiful to us in strength, prosperity, and well-being. 6

When morning flashes, may you, O holy ones, hasten to come at the realm, where bright rays shine, propitious to worshipper. May you come with your speedy legs here to my place of divine worship, where devotional love is being expressed. 7

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He who knows Him is really the performer of noble deeds. Let him communicate that knowledge to us in the assembly of learned people. His praise songs alone are accepted by Lord of bliss and Lord of light. 1

The twin-Lord (the Lord of light and bliss) is verily excelling in radiance, the royal-pair, who hears (our prayers) from greatest distances Lord of the virtuous, strengthener of eternal laws and preserver of truth in each individual man. 2

O eternal twin-divine, approaching you, I invoke you together for protection. Possessed of good speed, we call on you to give us strength. 3

Lord of light grants occasions and assistance for improvement to the sinful even. For verily he, who performs worship and struggles with ignorance, obtains favour from this Lord of light. 4

युवे मित्रस्यावसि त्याम सप्रथस्तमे । अनेहसस्त्वोत्तयः सत्रा वरुणशेषसः ॥५॥
 युवं मित्रेमं जन् यतयः सं च नययः ।
 मा मघोन परि ख्यतं मो अस्माकमृषीणां गोपीधे न उरुष्यतम् ॥६॥

vayām mitrásyā-

vasi syāma saprāthastame | anehāsas tvótayaḥ satrá vāru-
 naśeshasah ॥ 5 ॥ yuvām mitremām jānaṃ yātataḥ sām ca
 nayataḥ | mā maghónaḥ pári khyatam mó asmākam ṛśhī-
 nām gopīthé na urushyatam ॥ 6 ॥

(६६) पदपठितमं सूक्तम्

(१-६) पवृचन्यान्त्य सूक्तन्यामिषो रातहन्त्य ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणौ देवते । अनुष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥५॥ आ चिकितान सुक्रतुं देवौ मर्त रिशदसा । वरुणाय ऋतपेशसे दधीन प्रयसे महे ॥१॥
 ता हि क्षत्रमर्विहुतं सम्यगसुर्यमाशानि । अध व्रतेव मानुषं स्वर्णं धायि दर्शतम् ॥२॥
 ता वामेषे रथानामुर्वी गव्यूतिमेषाम् । रातहव्यस्य सुष्टुतिं दुष्ट्वस्तोर्मैर्मनामहे ॥३॥
 अधा हि काव्या युवं दक्षस्य पुभिरंहुता । नि केतुना जनानां चिकेधे पूतदक्षसा ॥४॥

66.

Ā cikitāna sukrātū devau marta riśādasā | vāruṇāya ṛi-
 tāpeśase dadhītā prāyase mahé ॥ 1 ॥ tā hí kshatrām ávihru-
 tam samyág asuryām āśāte | ádha vratéva mánusham svār-
 nā dhāyi darśatām ॥ 2 ॥ tā vām éshe ráthānām urvīm gáv-
 yūtim eshām | rātahavyasya sushtutīm dadhṛík stómair
 manāmahe ॥ 3 ॥ ádhā hí kāvya yuvām dākshasya pūrbhír
 abdhutā | ní ketúnā jánānām cikéthe pūtadakshasā ॥ 4 ॥

May we ever remain under the blissful Lord's shelter that extends to utmost distance. May we, the sons of blissful Lord, ever remain unmenaced and be guarded by your care. 5

May you, O Lord of light and bliss, urge this man on and to one end direct his ways of life. Deny us not when we are rich, and those of us who are the sons of seers. May you protect us in the presenting of the homage. 6

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O wise sage, adore this twin-Lord, the performer of noble deeds and the destroyer of foes. May you offer homage to the mighty Lord of bliss, the same as the Lord of light for his delight. 1

For the twin-Lord possesses irresistible evil-subduing strength, in full perfection, and therefore the holy worship, the fire-altar, has been established among men and has been made beautiful as the sun in the sky. 2

We glorify you the twin-Lord (of light and bliss), that your chariots may travel to long distances in front of ours, blessing the pious prayers of the offerer of homage through his hymns. 3

Now, O adorable and wonderful twin-Lord, propitiated by the former praises of your worshipper, O possessor of pure vigour, approve the praises of these devotees with favour. 4

तद्वतं पृथिवि बृहच्छ्रवणं ऋषीणाम् । ज्रयसानावरं पृथ्वि क्षरन्ति यामभिः ॥५॥
आ यदामीयचक्षसा मित्र वयं च सूरयः । व्यचिष्टे बहुपाथ्ये यतेमहि स्वराज्ये ॥६॥

tád

ritám prithivi bṛihác chravaēśhá říshīṇām | jrayasānáv áram
prithv áti ksharanti yámabhiḥ ॥ 5 ॥ á yád vām iyacakshasā
mítṛa vayám ca sūráyaḥ | vyácishṭhe bahupáyye yátemahi
svarájye ॥ 6 ॥

(६७) समपहितमं मुनम

(१-५) पञ्चवर्षस्यास्य सूतस्यानेयो यजत ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । अनुष्टुप छन्दः ॥

॥५॥ बल्लिस्था देव निष्कृतमादित्या यजतं बृहत् । वरुण मित्रार्यमन्वषिष्ठं क्षत्रमाशाथे ॥१॥
आ यद्योनिं हिरण्ययं वरुण मित्र सूरयः । धर्तारा चर्षणीनां युन्तं सुन्नं रिशादसा ॥२॥
विश्वे हि विश्ववेदसो वरुणो मित्रो अर्यमा । व्रता पुदेवं सश्चिरे पान्ति मर्त्यं रिपः ॥३॥
ते हि सत्या क्रतुस्पृश क्रतावानो जनेजने । सुनीथासः सुदानवो ह्योश्चिदुरुचक्रयः ॥४॥
को नु वो मित्रास्तुतो वरुणो वा तनुनाम् । नत्सु वामेषते मुनिरत्रिभ्य एषते मतिः ॥५॥

67.

Bál itthá deva nishkrítám ádityā yajatám bṛihát | vá-
ruṇa mítṛáryaman várshishṭham kshatrám āśāthe ॥ 1 ॥ á
yád yónim hiraṇyáyaṃ várūṇa mítṛa sádathah | dhartārá
carshaṇīnām yantám sumnám řiśādasā ॥ 2 ॥ viśve hí viśvā-
vedaso várūṇo mitró aryamá | vratá padéva saścire pānti
mártyam řisháh ॥ 3 ॥ té hí satyā řitasprīsa řitāvāno jáne
-jane | sunīthāsah sudánavo 'ñhós cid urucákrayaḥ ॥ 4 ॥ kó
nú vām mitrāstuto várūṇo vā tanúnām | tát sú vām éshate
matír átribhya éshate matih ॥ 5 ॥

O earth, this is a sublime law that you reward the sages, who toil for fame. The wide-spreading twin-divine powers are here. They come with ample and over-flowing water. 5

We and the devout invoke you, O far-seeing Lord of light and bliss, we strive to reach the realm you rule, which is spacious and well-protected. 6

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O divine forces of infinity, light, sun, ocean and law, it is true that you have obtained super-most, adorable, vast and exceeding strength, set apart for you. 1

When, O twin-Lord of light and bliss, supporter of men, destroyer of evils, you are in your brilliant causal form, you bring perfect happiness. 2

The triple-Lord, of the functions of enlightenment, of bliss and of the maintenance of universal order is possessed of omniscience. He supervises all our sacred activities, as if functioning in His diverse offices and protects the worshipper from the malignant. 3

Verily, He in his triple functions is an embodiment of truth, ordainer of law and order, protector of holy rites among men. He is leader, liberal donor, and deliverer from distress. 4

In which function of yours, O twin-Lord of light and bliss, your merit not our praise. Therefore our thoughts always tend towards you,—the thoughts of even the sages, above three-fold miseries. 5

(६८) भद्रपलितमं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्षेभ्यस्तस्य सूक्तस्याविषो यजत अविः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

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प्र वो मित्राय गायतु वरुणाय विषा गिरा । महिषत्रावृतं बृहत् ॥१॥
 सम्राजा वा घृतयोनी मित्रश्चोभा वरुणश्च । देवा देवेषु प्रशस्ता ॥२॥
 तानेः शक्तं पार्थिवस्य महो रायो दिव्यस्य । महि वा धृत्रं देवेषु ॥३॥
 क्रतुमृतेन सर्पन्तेषिरं दक्षमाशाते । अद्रुहा देवो वर्धते ॥४॥
 वृष्टिद्यावा रीत्यपिपस्पती दानुमत्याः । बृहन्तं गर्तमाशाते ॥५॥

68.

Prá vo mitráya gāyata varuṇāya vipá girá | máhiksha-
 trāv ṛitām bṛihát || 1 || samrājā yā ghṛitāyonī mitrás co-
 bhá varuṇas ca | devá devéshu praśastá || 2 || tá naḥ śak-
 tam párthivasya mahó rāyó divyásya | máhi vām ksha-
 trām devéshu || 3 || ṛitām ṛiténa sápanteshirām dáksbam
 āśāte | adruhā devau vardhete || 4 || vṛishtidyāvā rityāpeshás
 páti dānumatyāḥ | bṛihántam gártam āśāte || 5 ||

(६९) एकौनसततितमं सूक्तम्

(१-५) चतुर्ष्वेभ्यस्तस्य सूक्तस्याविषो यजत अविः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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त्री रोचुना वरुण त्रीरुत द्यून्त्रीणि मित्र धारयथो रजांसि ।
 वावृधानावमर्ति ध्रियिस्तानुं व्रतं रक्षमाणावजुर्धम् ॥१॥
 इरावतीर्वरुण धेनवो वा मधुमद्वा सिन्धवो मित्र दुहे ।
 त्रयस्तस्युर्वृषभास्तिसृणां ध्रिपणानां रेतोधा वि द्युमन्तः ॥२॥

69.

Trí rocaná varuṇa trīr utá dyūn trīṇi mitra dhāraya-
 tho rájañsi | vāvṛidhānāv amátim kshatriyasyānu vratām
 rákshamānāv ajuryām || 1 || frāvatīr varuṇa dhenávo vām
 mádhumad vām síndhavo mitra duhre | tráyas tasthur vṛi-
 shabhásas tisṛiṇām dhiishāṇānām retodhá ví dyumántaḥ
 || 2 ||

Sing loud an inspired song to the twin-Lord of light and bliss. O mighty Lord, you are Truth, you are Great. 1

The twin-Lord of light and bliss, is a sovereign ruler, original source of water, and eminently divine among Nature's forces. 2

He, the twin-Lord is able to grant us great terrestrial and celestial riches. Great is your might, O Lord, among Nature's bounties. 3

Carefully tending eternal truth with truth, He attains His vigorous might. The twin-Lord enhances His power, devoid of guile. 4

With raining sky and streaming rivers, the twin-Lord of sustenance, and granter of gifts, occupies His sovereign position. 5

O Lord of light and bliss, you uphold the three realms of light, the three heavens, the three regions of the earth, augmenting the force of the vigorous resplendent sun and guarding the order that lasts for ever. 1

O Lord of light and bliss, the cows are full of milk through your command; the rivers yield sweet water through your will, and there through you stand in the three world-spheres, three showerers, potent with genial moisture and splendid in their brightness. 2

प्रातर्देवीमर्दिति जोहवीमि मध्यन्दिन उदित्ता सूर्यस्य ।
 राये मित्रावरुणा सर्वतातेले तोकाय तनयाय गं योः ॥३॥
 या धर्तारा रजसो रोचनस्योतादित्वा दिव्या पार्थिवस्य ।
 न वा देवा अमृता आ भिनन्ति व्रतानि मित्रावरुणा ध्रुवाणि ॥४॥

prātār devīm áditim jōhavīmi madhyāmdina úditā
 sūryasya | rāyē mitrāvaruṇā sarvātātēle tokāya tānayāya
 sām yōh ॥ 3 ॥ yā dhartārā rājaso rocanāsyotādityā divyā
 pārthivasya | ná vām devā amṛitā 'ā minanti vratāni mitrā-
 varuṇā dhruvāni ॥ 4 ॥

(७०) समतितमं सूतम्

(१-४) चतुर्दशम्याम्ब सूतस्याविष उरुचर्किर्किः । मित्रावरुणौ देवते । गायत्री छन्दः ॥

॥८॥ पुरुषा चिद्वास्तवो नूनं वा वरुण । मित्रं वंसि वां सुमतिम् ॥१॥
 ता वां सम्यग्द्रुक्काणेषमश्याम् धारसे । वयं ते रुद्रा स्याम ॥२॥
 पातं नो रुद्रा पायुभिरुत व्रियथां सुत्रात्रा । तुर्याम् दस्यून्तनूभिः ॥३॥
 मा कस्याद्भुतकतू यक्षं भुजेमा तनूभिः । मा शेषसा मा तनसा ॥४॥

70.

Purūrūṇā cid dhy ásty ávo nūnām vām varuṇa | mītra
 vānsi vām sumatīm ॥ 1 ॥ tā vām samyāg adruhvāṇēśham
 aśyāma dhāyase | vayām té rudrā syāma ॥ 2 ॥ pātām no
 rudrā pāyúbhir utā trāyethām sutrātrā | turyāma dāsyūn
 tanúbhiḥ ॥ 3 ॥ mā kāsyādbhutakratū yakshām bhujemā ta-
 núbhiḥ | mā śēshasā mā tānasā ॥ 4 ॥

I invoke the divine and bright infinite at dawn, and at mid-day, when the sun is high. I worship you, O Lord of light and bliss, at all seasons, for the sake of riches, progeny, prosperity and happiness. 3

I worship you, the luminous twin-divine, upholder of the celestial and terrestrial world, and the immortal Lord of light and bliss, who never impairs his everlasting statutes. 4

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O Lord of light and bliss, your protection extends far and wide. May I obtain your kind favour. 1

O benignant twin-Lord, may we obtain food from you for our sustenance. May we ever remain in your grace, O cosmic vital powers. 2

Protect us with your protections, preserve us with kind preservation. May we with our physical strength overcome the wicked. 3

O the twin-Lord, the worker of wondrous deeds, let us not depend upon the charity of any one else; may we, our sons and grandsons, all rely on our own efforts. 4

(७१) एकसप्ततितमं सूक्तम्

(१-३) वृषम्याम्य सूक्तस्याधेयो बाहुवृत्तः ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । गाथत्री छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ आ नो गन्तं रिश़ादसा वरुण मित्र बर्हणा । उपेमं चारुमध्वरम् ॥१॥
 विश्वस्य हि प्रचेतसा वरुण मित्र राजथः । ईशाना पिप्यतं धियः ॥२॥
 उप नः सुतमा गतं वरुण मित्र दाशुषः । अस्य सोमस्य पीतये ॥३॥

71.

Ā no gantaṃ riśādasā vāruṇa mītra barhāṇā | ūpemaṃ
 cārum adhvarām || 1 || viśvasya hī pracetasā vāruṇa mītra
 rājathah | īśānā pipyatam dhīyaḥ || 2 || upā naḥ sutām ā ga-
 taṃ vāruṇa mītra dāśuṣah | asyā sōmasya pītaye || 3 ||

(७२) द्विसप्ततितमं सूक्तम्

(१-३) वृषम्याम्य सूक्तस्याधेयो बाहुवृत्तः ऋषिः । मित्रावरुणो देवते । उज्जिह्व छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ आ मित्रे वरुणे वयं गीर्भिर्जुहुमो अत्रिवत् । नि बर्हिषि सदतं सोमपीतये ॥१॥
 व्रतेन स्थो ध्रुवक्षेमा धर्मेणा यातयजना । नि बर्हिषि सदतं सोमपीतये ॥२॥
 मित्रश्च नो वरुणश्च जुषेता यज्ञमिष्टये । नि बर्हिषि सदतां सोमपीतये ॥३॥

72.

Ā mitré vāruṇe vayaṃ gīrbhīr juhumo atrivát | ní bar-
 hīshi sadatam sōmapītaye || 1 || vratēna stho dhruvākshemā
 dhārmaṇā yātayājjanā | ní barhīshi — || 2 || mitraś ca no
 vāruṇaś ca jushētām yajñām ishtāye | ní barhīshi sadatām
 sōmapītaye || 3 ||

O twin-Lord of light and bliss, scatterer of foes, destroyer of enemies, come to this our accessible sacrifice. ₁

Sagacious twin-Lord of light and bliss, you reign over all; may you bestow fulness, O Lord, to our intellects. ₂

Come, O Lord of light and bliss, to our effused libation, to cherish devotional love of the offerer. ₃

We invoke Lord of light and bliss with hymns, like our threefold-free sages. May you enshrine our heart and accept our devotional love. ₁

O inspirer of people, you are steady in your undertakings. May you enshrine our heart and accept our devotional love. ₂

May Lord of light and bliss, accept and bless our worship for the fulfilment of our wishes, and enshrine our hearts and accept our devotional love. ₃

[अथ पठोऽनुवाकः ॥]

(७३) विसततितमं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशर्चन्यास्य सूक्तस्यानेयः पौरः क्रविः । अश्विनौ देवते । अनुष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

॥१॥ यदुद्य स्यः परावति यदवावत्यश्विना । यद्वा पुरु पुरुभुजा यदन्तरिक्ष आ गतम् ॥१॥
 इह त्या पुरुभूतमा पुरु दंसांसि विभ्रता । वरस्या याम्यध्रिगू हुवे तुविष्टमा भुजे ॥२॥
 ईर्मन्यद्वपुषे वपुश्चक्रं रथस्य येमथुः । पर्यन्वा नाहुषा युगा मल्लारजांसि दीयथः ॥३॥
 तद् पु वामेना कृतं विश्वा यद्वामनु एवे । नाना जातावरेप्सा समस्मे वन्धुमेयथुः ॥४॥
 आ यद्वा सूर्या रथं तिष्ठद्रघुप्यदं सदा । परि वामरुषा वयो घृणा वरन्त आतपः ॥५॥

73.

Yād adyā sthāḥ parāvāti yād arvāvāty aṣvinā | yād vā
 purū purubhujā yād antāriksha ā gatam || 1 || ihā tyā pu-
 rubhūtamā purū dānsānsi bibhratā | varasyā yāmy ādhrigū
 huvé tuvīṣṭamā bhujé || 2 || īrmānyād vāpushe vāpuṣ ca-
 krām rāthasya yemathuḥ | pāry anyā nāhushā yugā mahnā
 rājānsi dīyathah || 3 || tād ū shū vām enā kṛitām vīṣvā yād
 vām ānu shtāve | nānā jātāv arepāsā sām asmé bāndhum
 éyathuḥ || 4 || ā yād vām sūryā rātham tīstṭhad ragbushyā-
 dam sādā | pāri vām arushā váyo ghṛiṇā varanta ātāpaḥ
 || 5 ||

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युवोरत्रिश्चिकेतति नरा सुम्नेन चेतसा ।
 घर्मं यद्वामरेपसं नासत्यान्ना भुरण्यति ॥६॥
 उग्रो वा ककुहो ययिः श्रृण्वे यामेषु संतनिः ।
 यद्वा दंसांभिरश्विनान्निर्नराववर्तति ॥७॥

yuvór ātriṣ ciketati nārā sumnéna cétasā | gharmām
 yād vām arepāsam nāsatyāsnā bhuranyāti || 6 || ugró vām
 kakuhó yayiṣ ṣṛiṇvé yāmeshu samtanīḥ | yād vām dānso-
 bhir aṣvinātrir narāvavārtati || 7 ||

Whether, O twin-divines, sustainers of many, you are at present far remote or near at hand, or whether you are (roaming) in many places, or are in mid-air, may you please come here. 1

I invoke you for protection, hither, O widely-spread out ones, accomplisher of many great acts, most excellent, irresistible; and the mightiest. 2

You have fixed one luminious wheel of your car, the sun, for illumination while with the other you revolve in the spheres to regulate the time measure, for reckoning the age of men. 3

O the universally accepted twins, may my praise, recited to extol you be agreeable as offered. And may you, who are severally born, and are spotless show brotherly spirit to us. 4

When dawn, the daughter of the sun, ascends your rapidly-moving vehicle, then bright-waving, red-bird-like resplendent rays encompass you. 5

The three-fold free sage extols your benevolence with delightful attitude, O ever-true leaders, since through his praise of you, he fully comprehends the meaningfulness of the innocuous nature of this heat. 6

Your strong, lofty, swift and ever-progressing beams are ever since renowned to help us in all our benevolent works. O twin-divines, the best guides you ever rescue the three-fold free person by your acts. 7

मध्व ऊ षु मध्वयुवा रुद्रा निर्वन्ति पिप्युशी ।
 यत्समुद्राति पर्वथः पक्वाः पृष्ठो भरन्त वाम् ॥८॥
 सत्यमिहा उ अश्विना युवानाहुर्मयोभुवा ।
 ता यामन्यामहन्ता यामन्ना मृद्वयन्ता ॥९॥
 इमा ब्रह्माणि वर्धनाश्विन्यां सन्तु शन्तामा ।
 या तन्नाम रथी इवावाचाम बृहन्नमः ॥१०॥

mādhva ū shú madhū-
 yuvā rúdrā sīshakti pipyúshī | yát samudráti pārsathab
 pakvāḥ prīksho bharanta vām || 8 || satyām id vá u aṣvinā
 yuvām āhur mayobbhúvā | tá yāman yāmahītamā yāmann
 ā mṛīlayāttamā || 9 || imā brāhmāṇi vārdhanāṣvībhyām santu
 śāntamā | yā tákshāma ráthāñ ivāvocaṁa bṛibān nāmaḥ
 || 10 ||

(७४) चतुःसमन्वितमं मूलम्

(१-१०) इशस्यैत्यस्य मूलम्यात्रेयः पौरः क्रविः । अश्विनौ देवने । अनुष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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कृष्टो देवावश्विनाद्या दिवो मनावम् ।
 तच्छ्रवथो वृषण्वसू अत्रिर्वामा विवासति ॥१॥
 कुह त्या कुह नु श्रुता दिवि देवा नासत्या ।
 कस्मिन्ना र्यतथो जने को वा नदीनां सचा ॥२॥

74.

Kúshtho devāv aṣvinādyā divó manāvasū | tác chrava-
 tho vṛiṣaṇvasū átrir vān ā vivāsati || 1 || kúha tyā kúha
 nú śrutā diví devā nāsatyā | kásminn ā yatatho jáne kó
 vām nadínām sácā || 2 ||

O cosmic vital principles, lovers of dedicated devotion our exhilarating sweet prayers wait on you, when you traverse the limits of the firmament, and our prepared viands of the sacrifice support you. 8

O twin-divines, truly they call you the bestowers of happiness. May you be, when earnestly invoked, most prompt to hear and be gracious at our sacrifice. 9

May these praises exalting the twin-divines, be most pleasing to them. These praises are fashioned by us like a designed vehicle and we recite them aloud with fervent adoration. 10

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O kind hearted twin-divines, who have today come from heaven upon the earth. O liberal showerers, the fully-detached sage invites you to come; may you listen to him. 1

Where is the pair of reputed divine, ever-true ones (the twin-divines)? Where are they heard of in heaven? To what worshipper do you strive to come? Who of your suppliants is with you? 2

कं याथः कं ह गच्छथः कमच्छा युञ्जाथे रथम् ।
 कस्य ब्रह्माणि रण्यथा वयं वासुश्मसीष्टये ॥३॥
 पौरं चिच्छुदुश्रुतं पौरं पौराय जिन्वथः ।
 यदीं गृभीततातये सिंहमिव द्रुहस्पदे ॥४॥
 प्र च्यवानाञ्जुजुरुषो वृत्रिमत्कं न मुञ्चथः ।
 युवा यदीं कृथः पुनरा काममृष्वे वध्वः ॥५॥

kām yāthah kām ha gachathah
 kām āchā yuñjāthe rātham | kāśya brāhmāṇi raṇyatho va-
 yām vām uśmasīṣṭāye || 3 || paurām cid dhy ūdaprútam
 pāura paurāya jīnvathah | yād im gṛibhitātātaye siṅhām
 iva druhās padé || 4 || prā cyāvanāj jujurúsho vavṛim ātkam
 ná muñcathah | yúvā yādī krīthah púnar ā kāmam ṛiṇve
 vadhvāh || 5 ||

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अस्ति हि वामिह स्तोता स्मसि वां सुदृशि श्रिये ।
 नू श्रुतं म आ गतमवोभिर्वाजिनीवसू ॥६॥
 को वामय पुरुणामा वने मर्त्यानाम् ।
 को विप्रो विप्रवाहसा को यज्ञैर्वीजिनीवसू ॥७॥
 आ वां रथो रथानां येषो यात्वश्विना ।
 पुरु चिदस्मयुस्तिर आङ्गुषो मर्त्येष्व ॥८॥

āsti hī vām ihā stotā smāsi vām samdṛṣi śriyē | nū
 ṣrutām ma ā gatam āvobhir vājinīvasū || 6 || kó vām adyā
 purūṇām ā vavṇe mārtyānām | kó vípro vipravāhasā kó
 yajñāir vājinīvasū || 7 || ā vām rátho ráthānām yéshṭho yātv
 aṣvinā | purú cid asmayús tirā āṅgūshó mārtyeshv ā || 8 ||

Whom do you visit? Whom do you approach? To go to whom do you harness your car? By whose prayers are you pleased? We are anxious for your arrival. 3

O twin-divines, the citizen, may you send to the city-seers, the clouds, fully-loaded with water. May you drive them to him who is engaged in sacred acts, as hunters chase a lion in a forest. 4

You the twin-surgeons and physicians, are capable of stripping off like a cuirass the aged skins from the worn-out bodies of a decrepit devotee and rejuvenating him to attractive features alluring to ladies. 5

Here is the devotee, who glorifies you both. May we ever remain in your presence to attain prosperity, O rich in food and wealth. May you hear our prayers and come hither with your protections. 6

O twin-divines, affluent in food, and adored by enlightened, who among many mortals, has been wise to propitiate you the best? Who offers reverence to you with full faith and who propitiates you by sacrifice. 7

May your swift vehicle come hither well-disposed to us, O twin-divines the discomfiter of numerous adversaries and glorified among men. 8

शम् पु वां मधुयवाम्माकमस्तु चर्कृतिः ।
 अवाचीना विचेतसा विभिः श्येनेव दीयतम् ॥९॥
 अश्विना यद् कर्हि चिच्छ्रुयानमिमं हवम् ।
 वस्वीरु पु वां भुजः पृच्छन्ति सु वां पृचः ॥१०॥

śām ū shū vām madhūyuvāsmākam astu carkṛitih | arvā-
 cīnā vicetasā vibhiḥ syenēva dīyatam || 9 || āśvinā yād dha-
 kārhi cic chuśrūyātam imāṃ hāvam | vāsvīr ū shū vām
 bhūjah prīcānti sū vām prīcaḥ || 10 ||

(७५) पञ्चमनिवसे सूक्तम्

(१-९) नवचम्यास्य भुजस्याश्वयोऽवसुर्मेभिः । अश्विनौ देवते । पङ्क्तिस्तन्द्रः ॥

॥१५॥ प्रति प्रियतमं रथं वृषणं वसुवाहनम् ।
 स्तोता वामश्विनावृषिः स्तोमेन प्रति भूपति माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥१॥
 अत्यायानमश्विना तिरो विश्वा अहे मना ।
 दस्त्रा हिरण्यवर्तनी सुपुत्रा सिन्धुवाहमा माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥२॥
 आ नो रत्नानि विभ्रतावश्विना गच्छन्तं युवम् ।
 रुद्रा हिरण्यवर्तनी जुषाणा वाजिनीवसु माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥३॥
 सुष्टुभौ वां वृषण्वसु रथे वाणीच्याहिता ।
 उत वां ककुहो मृगः पृक्षः कृणोति वापुषो माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥४॥

75.

Prāti priyātamam rātham vṛṣhaṇam vasuvāhanam |
 stotā vām aśvināv ṛishi stōmena prāti bhūshati mādhvī
 māma śrutam hāvam || 1 || atyāyātam aśvinā tirō viśvā
 abām sánā | dāsra hīraṇyavartanī sūshumnā sīndhuvāhasā
 mādhvī māma — || 2 || ā no rātnāni bībhratāv āśvinā gā-
 chatam yuvām | rūdrā hīraṇyavartanī jūshāṇā vājinīvasū
 mādhvī māma — || 3 || sushtūbho vām vṛṣhaṇvasū rāthe
 vāṇīcy āhitā | utā vām kakuhó mṛigāḥ prīkṣah prīṇoti vā-
 pushó mādhvī māma — || 4 ||

May our repeated adoration of you two, O lovers of homage, be conducive to us and bring happiness. May you, exceeding in wisdom, descend hitherward with fast moving wings, swift as a falcon. 9

O twin-divines, wherever you may be, hear this invocation. The excellent sacrificial offerings, mixed and prepared are for you. 10

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The sage, your worshipper, graces with praises your beloved chariot, which is the showerer of benefits, and granter of wealth. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 1

Passing by others, come, O twin-divines, hither, so that I may ever overcome all obstructions. O destroyers of adversaries, possessors of golden chariot, distributors of wealth, and propellers of rivers, O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 2

O terrible twin-divines, possessors of golden chariot, rich in store of wealth, may you come to us rejoicing and bringing precious treasures. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 3

O showerers of wealth, the praise of your worshipper is addressed to your chariot. This sincere devoted distinguished seeker, of good physique, offers sacrificial food to you as well. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 4

बोधिन्मनसा रुध्यैषिरा हवनश्रुता ।
विभिन्मनसश्चिना नि याथो अद्वयावितं माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥५॥

bodhínmanasā rathyèshirā ha-
vanasrútā | víbhiṣ cyávānam aṣvinā ní yātho ádvayāvinam
mádhvī máma — || 5 ||

॥५॥ आ वीं नरा मनोयुजोऽश्वासः प्रुषितप्सवः ।
वयो वहन्तु पीतये सह सुप्तेभिर्गश्चिना माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥६॥
अश्चिनायेह गच्छतं नासत्या मा वि वेनतम् ।
तिरश्चित्तयया परि वर्तिर्यातमदाभ्या माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥७॥

ā vāṃ narā manoyújó 'śvāsaḥ prushitāpsavaḥ | váyo
vahantu pītāye sahā sumnébhir aṣvinā mádhvī máma —
|| 6 || áṣvināv éhá gachatam násatyā má ví venatam | tirāś
cid aryayā pári vartír yātam adābhyā mádhvī máma —
|| 7 ||

अस्मिन्यज्ञे अदाभ्या जरितारं शुभस्यती ।
अवस्युर्मश्चिना युवं गृणन्तमुप भूषथो माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥८॥
अमृदुषा रुदात्पशुगमिरंधायुत्विर्यः ।
अयोजि वां वृषन्वसु रथो दस्रावर्मत्यां माध्वी मम श्रुतं हवम् ॥९॥

asmín yajñé adābhyā jaritāram śubhas patī | avasyúm
aṣvinā yuvāṃ grīṇāntam úpa bhūshatho mádhvī máma —
|| 8 || ábhūd ushá rúsatpaśur ágnír adhāyy ritvīyaḥ | áyoji
vāṃ vṛishaṇvasū rátho dasrāv ámartyo mádhvī máma —
|| 9 ||

O twin-divines, swift-moving, watchful in spirit, listeners to invocations, may you, borne in cars, hasten with your steeds to the single-purposed inquisitive seer. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 5

O twin-divines, leaders, may your horses, harnessed at will, of wondrous beauty, and of rapid course, bring you hither with good gifts to accept devotional love. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 6

O ever-true, invincible, twin-divines, lovers of sweetness, come here, be not unpropitious. May you come from hidden regions to the place of worship. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 7

O invincible twin-divines, inspirers of benevolent deeds and thoughts, may you come and stand at this sacrifice, by the side of the singer, who longs for his protection, and lauds you both. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 8

The dawn has come, the fire ritual of the season, blazing with the oblation, has been placed upon the altar. O showerers of wealth and subduers of foes, your immortal chariot has been harnessed. O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation. 9

(७९) षट्सप्ततितमं मूलम्

(१-५) पञ्चमस्यास्य सूक्तस्य भीमोऽप्रिक्तपिः । अश्विनौ देवते । प्रिक्तुप् छन्दः ॥

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आ भात्यग्निरुषमा मनीकुमुद्विप्राणां देवया वाचो अस्थुः ।
 अर्वाशा नूनं रथ्येह यातं पीपिवांसमश्विना घर्ममच्छ ॥१॥
 न संस्कृतं प्र मिमीतो गमिष्ठान्ति नूनमश्विनोपस्तुतेह ।
 दिवाभिपित्वेऽवमार्गमिष्टा प्रत्यवर्ति दाशुषे अंभविष्टा ॥२॥
 उता यातं संगवे प्रातरह्नो मध्यन्दिन उदिता सूर्यस्य ।
 दिवा नक्तमवसा अंतमेन नेदानीं पितिरश्विना तेतान ॥३॥

76.

Ā bhāty agnīr ushāsām ānikam ūd viprānām devaya
 vāco asthuḥ | arvāñcā nūnām rathyehā yātam pipivānsam
 aśvinā gharṁām ācha || 1 || nā saṁskṛtām prā minūto gā-
 miṣṭhānti nūnām aśvinópastutehā | divābhipitvé 'vasāga-
 miṣṭhā prāty āvartim dāśúshe śambhavishṭhā || 2 || utá
 yātam saṁgavé prātár áhno madhyāṁdina úditā sūryasya |
 divā náktam ávasā śāmtamena nédānim pītir aśviná tatāna
 || 3 ||

इदं हि वां प्रदिवि स्थानमोक्तं इमे गृहा अश्विनेदं दुर्गेणम् ।
 आ नो दिवो बृहन्तः पर्वतादाद्भ्यो यातमिषमूर्जं वहन्ता ॥४॥
 समश्विनोरवसा नृतेनेन मयोभुवा सुप्रणीती गमेम ।
 आ नो गयं वहन्तोत वीगना विश्वान्यमृता सौभगानि ॥५॥

idāṁ hī vām pradīvi sthānam ōka ime grīhā aśvine-
 dāṁ durōṇām | ā no divó bṛihatāḥ pārvatād ādbhyó yātam
 iṣham ūrjam vāhantā || 4 || sām aśvinor -- || 5 ||

The fire-divine (or the sun) lights up the face of the dawns. The devout singers have started chanting pious their sacred hymns. Therefore, O twin-divines, Lords of the chariot, descending, come hither to bless and in our full-fledged sacrifice. 1

They harm not our well-accomplished sacrifice. O twin-divines, may you now come most quickly, and be glorified on this occasion. May you be present at the opening of the day, and at its close and provide protections against destitution. May you be prompt to bestow happiness upon the donor of the offering. 2

Whether you come at the milking time of the cattle, at the dawn of day, or at noon, when the sun is high, or by day or by night, come with felicitous protection. The recitation not only now, the twin-divines have always been welcome to the draught of devotional offers. 3

This home, O twin-divines, is your ancient abode; these are your mansions, this has been your dwelling. May you come from the vast firmament, overspread by clouds loaded with water, bringing to us food and strength. 4

May we be united with the twin-divines by their heartening protection, which is the source of happiness and guide to progress. May you bestow upon us, O immortals, wealth, posterity, and all auspicious things. 5

(७७) ममनिनमं मृतम

(१-५) पञ्चयन्त्याम्य मृतस्य भीमोऽविक्रमिः । अश्विनौ देवते । विदुषु छन्दः ॥

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प्रातर्यावाणा प्रथमा यजध्वं पुरा गृध्रादररुषः पिबातः ।
 प्रातर्हि यज्ञमश्विना दधाते प्र शमन्ति कृवयः पूर्वभाजः ॥१॥
 प्रातर्यजध्वमश्विना हिनोत न सायमस्ति देवया अजुष्टम् ।
 उतान्यो अस्मद्यजते वि चावः पूर्वैःपूर्वो यजमानो वनीयान् ॥२॥
 हिरण्यत्वष्ट्रधुवर्णो घृतक्षुः पृथो बहुला रथो वर्तते वाम ।
 मनोजवा अश्विना वातरंहा येनातिथाथो दुरितानि विश्वा ॥३॥

77.

Prātaryāvāṇā prathamā yajadhvam purā gṛīdhṛād āra-
 rushaḥ pibātaḥ | prātār hī yajñām aśvinā dadhāte prā sañ-
 santi kavāyaḥ pūrvabhājah || 1 || prātār yajadhvam aśvinā
 hinota ná sāyām asti devayā ājusṭam | utānyo asmād ya-
 jate ví cávaḥ pūrvah-pūrvō yājamāno vānīyān || 2 || hīraṇ-
 yatvañ mādhuvarṇo ghṛitāsnuḥ pṛiksho vāhann ā rātho
 vartate vām | mānojavā aśvinā vātaraṇhā yénātiyātho dur-
 itāni vīśvā || 3 ||

यो भूयिष्ठं नासत्याभ्यां विवेष चनिष्ठं पित्वो ररते विभागे ।
 स तोकमस्य पीपरच्छमीभिरनूर्ध्वभासः सदमितुतुर्यात् ॥४॥
 समश्विनोरवसा नूतनेन मयोभुवा सुप्रणीती गमेम ।
 आ नो रधि बहत्तमोत वीराना विश्वान्यमृता सौमगानि ॥५॥

yó bhúyishṭham nāsatyābhyām vivēsha
 cānīshṭham pitvó rārate vibhāgé | sá tokām asya pīparac-
 chāmībhir ānūrdhvabhāsaḥ sādām ít tuturyāt || 4 || sām aśvi-
 nor — || 5 ||

Adore the two (the twin-divines), the first to come at early dawn. Let them relish the drink before the other greedy withholders get it, for the twin-divines verily claim the morning homage. The ancient sages extol them before the break of day. 1

Adore the twin-divines, at early dawn and offer them these oblations; the evening is not the time for adoring these divines, it is unacceptable to them. Beside ourselves, if another propitiates them, the worshipper, who is foremost would be most highly favoured. 2

O twin-divines, plated with gold, honey-tinted, water-shedding, laden with food, quick in speed as thought, rapid as the tempest, such a chariot of yours approaches wherewith you travel over all obstacles and obstructions. 3

He, who serves most often the ever-true twin-divines, gives to them the sweetest food at the offerings, and supplements all this with his dedicated works, secures, by his such actions, the welfare of his son, and he always has the advantage over them who enkindle no sacred fires. 4

May we be united with the twin-divines, and be blessed by their special protection, which is the source of happiness and the guide to progress. May you bestow upon us, O immortals, wealth and all auspicious things. 5

(७८) अष्टसप्ततितमं सूक्तम्

(१-२) नवर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्यविषयः सप्तवर्धिरूपिः । अश्विनौ देवते । (१-३) प्रथमादितृचन्द्रयोश्चिह्नं,

(४) चतुर्व्यां ऋचग्विष्टुप्, (५-९) पञ्चम्यादिपञ्चानामानुष्टुप् छन्दोऽस्ति ॥

॥१९॥ अश्विनावेह गच्छतं नासत्या मा वि वेनतम् । हंसाविं पततुमा सुतां उप ॥१॥
 अश्विना हरिणाविं गौराविंवानु यवसम् । हंसाविं पततुमा सुतां उप ॥२॥
 अश्विना वाजिनीवस् जुषेथां यज्ञमिष्टये । हंसाविं पततुमा सुतां उप ॥३॥
 अत्रिर्यद्दामवरोहन्नृवीसुमजोहवीन्नाधमानेव योषां ।
 इधेनस्य चिजवसा नूतनेनागच्छतमश्विना शंतमेन ॥४॥

78.

Āṣvināv éhá gachatam násatyā má ví venatam | haṁsāv
 iva patatam á sutāñ úpa || 1 || āṣvinā harinā́v iva gaurā́v
 ivānu yávasam | haṁsāv iva — || 2 || āṣvinā vājīnīvasū jushé-
 thām yajñám ishtā́ye | haṁsāv iva. — || 3 || átrir yád vām
 avaróhann řibísam ájohavīn nādhamāneva yóshā | syenásya
 cij jávasā nūtanenāgachatam āṣvinā śāntamena || 4 ||

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वि जिहीष्व वनस्पते योनिः सूष्यन्त्या इव ।
 श्रुतं मे अश्विना हवं सप्तवर्धि च मुञ्चतम् ॥५॥
 भीताय नार्धमानाय ऋषये सप्तवर्धये ।
 मायाभिरश्विना युवं वृक्षं सं च वि चाचथः ॥६॥
 यथा वानः पुष्करिणीं समिद्ध्यति सर्वतः ।
 एवा ते गर्भं एजतु निरेतु दशमास्यः ॥७॥

ví jihīshva vanaspate yóniḥ sūshyantyā iva | śrutám me
 āṣvinā hávaṁ saptávadhrim ca muñcatam || 5 || bhītā́ya ná-
 dhamānāya řishaye saptávadhraye | mājā́bhīr āṣvinā yu-
 vām vřikshám sám ca ví cācathah || 6 || yáthā vátah push-
 karīṇīm samīṅgáyati sarvátah | evā te gārbha ejatu nir-
 aítu dāśamāsyah || 7 ||

O twin-divines, come hither to us. O ever-true, be not ill-disposed. Descend like a pair of swans to cherish our devotional love. 1

Like a pair of deer, O twin-divines, like a pair of wild cattle on fresh pasture, like a pair of swans, descend to cherish our devotional love. 2

O twin-divines, rich in nourishment, may you associate with us in our benevolent deeds for prosperity. May you descend like a pair of swans to cherish our devotional love. 3

When a sagacious person, escaping by your assistance from the dark cavern of Nescience, entreats you, like a wailing woman, you come to him with the most fresh and auspicious rapidity of the falcon. 4

Open, O Lord of plants, like the womb of a parturient female, and O twin-divines, hear my invocation, and release the person from the clutches of sinful impulses of seven organs (five sense organs and mind and intellect). 5

O twin-divines, by your devices rent up the tree of darkness and shatter for the liberation of the terrified, imploring seer, who is in the gripe of sinful impulses of seven organs. 6

As the wind ruffles the pool of lotus on every side, so may your womb be stimulated, and the conception of ten months come forth. 7

यथा वातो यथा वनं यथा समुद्र एजति ।
 एवा त्वं दशमास्य सहवेहि जरायुणा ॥८॥
 दश मासाञ्छयाऽनः कुमारो अधि मातरि ।
 निरैतु जीवो अक्षतो जीवो जीवन्त्या अधि ॥९॥

yāthā vāto yāthā vānaṃ yāthā sam-
 undrā éjati | evá tvāṃ daśamāsyā sahāvehi jarāyuṇā || 8 ||
 dāśa māsāṇ chaṣayānāḥ kumāró ádhi mātári | niraitu jīva
 ákshato jīvo jīvantiyā ádhi || 9 ||

(७९). एकोनाशीतितमं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशार्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्याधेयः सत्यश्रवा ऋषिः । उवा देवता । पङ्क्तिच्छन्दः ॥

॥२॥ महे नो अद्य बोधयोषो राये दिवित्मती ।
 यथा चिन्ने अत्रोधयः सत्यश्रवसि वाय्ये सुजति अश्वसृते ॥१॥
 या सुनीधे शौचद्रे व्यौच्छो दुहितर्दिवः ।
 सा व्युच्छ सहीयसि सत्यश्रवसि वाय्ये सुजति अश्वसृते ॥२॥
 सा नो अद्याभरदसुव्युच्छा दुहितर्दिवः ।
 यो व्यौच्छः सहीयसि सत्यश्रवसि वाय्ये सुजति अश्वसृते ॥३॥
 अभि ये त्वा विभावरि स्तोमैर्गृणन्ति वह्नयः ।
 मधैर्मघोनि सुश्रियो दामन्वन्तः सुरातयः सुजति अश्वसृते ॥४॥

79.

Mahé no adyá bodhayósho rāyē divítmatī | yāthā cin-
 no ábodhayāḥ satyáśravasi vāyyé sújātē áśvasūṇṛite || 1 ||
 yá sunīthé ṣaucadrathé vy áúcho duhitar divaḥ | sá vy
 ūcha sáhiyasi satyáśravasi v. s. á. || 2 || sá no adyábharád-
 vasur vy ūehā duhitar divaḥ | yó vy áúchaḥ sáhiyasi
 satyáśravasi — || 3 || abhí yé tvā vibhāvāri stómair grīṇānti
 váhnayah | maghaír maghoni susríyo dāmanvantāḥ surātá-
 yah sújāte áśvasūṇṛite || 4 ||

As the wind, as the wood, as the ocean are agitated, so also may you, a gestation of ten months, invested with the uterine membrane, descend. 8

May the child, who has reposed for ten months in the bosom of his mother, come forth, alive, unharmed, living form a living parent. 9

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O radiant dawn, awaken us today for ample riches in like manner, as you have awakened us in days of old, O dawn, nobly born and one sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, may you be kind to people, who are seekers of truth and weavers of knowledge. 1

O dear daughter of heaven, who awakens men treading on right path and who are pure-hearted, nobly-born, and one sincerely praised for the gift of vigour. May you be kind to people, who are seekers of truth and weavers of knowledge. 2

O daughter of heaven, bestower of opulence, awaken us today, O nobly-born and one sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, may you be kind to people who are seekers of truth and weavers of knowledge. 3

O bounteous dawn, bestower of wealth, nobly-born goddess, and one sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, those devotees, who offer homage and praise you with sacred hymns, become prosperous with affluence. 4

यच्चिदि ते गुणा इमे लुदयन्ति मघत्तथि ।
परि चिद्वष्टयो दधुर्ददतो राधो अहयं सुजति अश्वसृते ॥५॥

yác cid dhí te gaṇā imé cha-
dáyanti magháttaṭṭaye | pári cid vásṭṭayo dadhur dádato rá-
dho áhrayaṃ sújāte áśvasūṇṛite || 5 ||

॥२२॥ ऐषु धा वीरव्यश उषो मघोनि सूरिषु ।
ये नो राधांस्यहया मघवानो अरामत सुजति अश्वसृते ॥६॥
तेभ्यो द्युमन् वृहद्यश उषो मघोन्या वह ।
ये नो राधांस्यश्व्या गुव्या भजन्त सूर्यः सुजति अश्वसृते ॥७॥
उत नो गोमतीरिष आ वहो दुहितर्दिवः ।
साकं सूर्यस्य रश्मिभिः शुक्रैः शोचद्भिरर्चिभिः सुजति अश्वसृते ॥८॥

aśhu dhā virávad yāṣa úsho maghoni sūrīṣhu | yé no
rádhānsy áhrayā maghávāno árāsata sújāte áśvasūṇṛite
|| 6 || tébhyo dyumnám bṛihád yāṣa úsho maghony á vaha |
yé no rádhānsy áṣyā gavyā bhájanta sūráyaḥ sújāte áśva-
sūṇṛite || 7 || utá no gómatīr īsha á vahā duhitar divaḥ |
sākám sūryasya raśmībhiḥ śukraīḥ śócadbhir arcībhiḥ sú-
jāte áśvasūṇṛite || 8 ||

व्युच्छा दुहितर्दिवो मा चिरं तनुथा अपः ।
नेत्वा स्तेनं यथा रिपुं तपाति सूरौ अर्चिषा सुजति अश्वसृते ॥९॥
एतावद्देदुषस्त्वं भूयो वा दानुमर्हसि ।
या स्तोत्रभ्यो विभावयुच्छन्ती न प्रमीयसे सुजति अश्वसृते ॥१०॥

vy ūchā duhitar divo mā cirāṃ ta-
nuthā āpaḥ | nét tvā stenám yāthā ripúṃ tápāti sūro arcī-
shā sújāte áśvasūṇṛite || 9 || etávad véd ushas tvám bhūyo
vā dátum arhasi | yá stotrībhyo vibhāvary uchánti ná pra-
míyase sújāte áśvasūṇṛite || 10 ||

O nobly-born goddess, and one sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, those worshippers, who applaud you for wealth, obtain ever-lasting riches, and liberally give it to others. 5

O affluent, nobly-born goddess, and one sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, bestow upon these devout adorers food and posterity, so that, they, the opulent, may without hesitation give liberally their ever lasting riches to us. 6

O affluent dawn, nobly-born, and sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, bring wealth and abundant food to those, who are liberal givers, and bestow upon us riches of horses and cattle. 7

O daughter of heaven, nobly-born, and sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, bring us food and cattle, and come along with the pure, shining, and refulgent rays of the sun. 8

O dawn, the daughter of heaven, nobly-born, and sincerely praised for the gift of vigour, may you shine forth; please delay not our sacred rite, and let not the sun with fervent heat scorch you as one punishes a thief, or subdues an enemy. 9

O dawn, nobly-born and praised for the gift of vigour, you give whatever indeed has been solicited, and even more. You are radiant one always dawning upon your admirers and have never been cruel to them. 10

(८०) अशीतितमं सूक्तम्

(१-६) षडृचस्यास्य सूक्तस्याविषः सत्यधरा ऋषिः । उषा देवता । त्रिष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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द्युतयामानं बृहतीमृतेनं कृतावरीमरुणसुं विभातीम् ।
 देवीमुपसं स्वरवहन्तीं प्रति विप्रांसो मतिभिर्जरन्ते ॥१॥
 एषा जनं दर्शता बोधयन्ती सुगान्पथः कृण्वती यात्यग्रे ।
 बृहदृथा बृहती विश्वमिन्वोषा ज्योतिर्यच्छत्यग्रे अह्नाम् ॥२॥
 एषा गोभिररुणेभिर्युजानास्त्रेधन्ती रयिमप्रायु चक्रे ।
 पथो गदन्ती सुविताय देवी पुरुषुता विश्ववारा वि भाति ॥३॥
 एषा व्येनी भवति द्विवर्हा आविष्कृष्याना तन्वं पुरस्तात् ।
 कृतस्य पन्थामन्वेति साधु प्रजानतीव न दिशो मिनाति ॥४॥
 एषा शुभ्रा न तन्वो विद्वानोर्ध्वं स्नाती दृश्ये नो अस्यात् ।
 अप ह्येषा वारधमाना तमोऽस्युषा दिवो दुहिता ज्योतिषागान् ॥५॥
 एषा प्रतीची दुहिता दिवो तन्योषेव भद्रा नि रिणीते अप्सः ।
 व्यूर्ण्वती दाशुषे वार्याणि पुनर्ज्योतिर्धुवनिः पूर्वथाकः ॥६॥

80.

Dyutādyāmānam bṛhatīm ṛitēna ṛitāvarīm aruṇāpsum
 vibhātīm | devīm ushāsam svār āvāhantīm prāti viprāso ma-
 tibhir jarante || 1 || eshā jānam darśatā bodhāyanti sugān
 pathāḥ kṛiṇvati yāty āgre | bṛhadrathā bṛhatī viṣvamin-
 vōshā jyōtir yachaty āgre āhnām || 2 || eshā gōbhir aruṇē-
 bhir yujānāsredhanti rayīm āprāyu cakre | pathō rādanti
 suvitāya devī puruṣtutā viṣvāvārā vī bhāti || 3 || eshā
 vyēnī bhavati dvibārhā āviṣhkṛiṇvānā tanvām purastāt | ṛi-
 tāsyā pānthām ānv eti sādhu prajānatīva nā diṣo mināti
 || 4 || eshā śubhrā nā tanvo vidvānōrdhvēva snātī dṛiṣāye no
 asthāt | āpa dvēsho bādhamānā tāmānsy ushā divo duhitā
 jyōtishāgāt || 5 || eshā praticī duhitā divo nṛīm yōsheva
 bhadṛā nī riṇīte āpsaḥ | vyūrṇvati dāśūshe vāryāṇi pūnar
 jyōtir yuvatīḥ pūrvāthākāḥ || 6 ||

Wise devotees welcome with hymns the divine dawn, who brings sun-light. She is sublime and follows with earnest truthfulness the eternal order. She illuminates all the parameters of space and time, whilst she is tinted with purple-pink and is refulgent. 1

The lovely dawn awakens men, and precedes the sun, making the pathways easy to be travelled. Riding in a spacious chariot, vastly expanding everywhere, she diffuses splendour at the day's beginning. 2

Harnessing the red rays to her car, unwearied, she brings perpetual riches. Praised by all and cherished by everyone, she shines, manifesting the paths that lead to happiness. 3

Lucidly white, she occupies two regions (the upper and the middle firmament), and displays her form from the east. She closely follows the path assigned by Nature's order, and with her perfect awareness, she never fails in appearing in the right quarters. 4

Exhibiting her person like a well-attired damsel, she stands before our eyes, inclining like a woman just out of the bath. Dispersing the dark glooms, the dawn, the daughter of heaven comes to us with radiance. 5

The daughter of heaven, the dawn, tending to the west, puts forth her beauty like a well-dressed woman, bestowing precious treasures upon the offerer of adoration. She, ever youthful, brings back the light as she has been doing for all times. 6

(८१) एकाशीतितमं सूक्तम्

(१-५) पञ्चर्षयास्य सूक्तस्याविषः श्यावाश्च ऋषिः । सविता देवता । जगन्ता उगदः ॥

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युञ्जते मनं उत युञ्जते धियो विप्रा विप्रस्य बृहतो विपश्चितः ।
 वि होत्रा दधे वयुनाविदेक इन्मही देवस्य सविनुः परिपृतिः ॥१॥
 विश्वा रूपाणि प्रति मुञ्चते कविः प्रासावीदृद्रं द्विपदे चतुष्पदे ।
 वि नार्कमख्यत्सविता वरेण्योऽनु प्रयाणमुषसो वि राजति ॥२॥
 यस्य प्रयाणमन्वन्य इययुर्देवा देवस्य महिमानमोजसा ।
 यः पार्थिवानि विममे स एतंशो रजांसि देवः सविता महित्वना ॥३॥

81.

Yuñjāte māna utā yuñjate dhīyo viprā viprasya bṛi-
 ható vipaścītaḥ | ví hōtrā dadhe vayunāvid éka ín mahī
 devāsya savitūḥ párishtūtiḥ || 1 || víśvā rūpāṇi prāti muñ-
 cate kavīḥ prāsāvid bhadraṁ dvipāde cātushpade | ví nā-
 kam akhyat savitā váreṇyó 'nu prayāṇam ushāso ví rājati
 || 2 || yāsya prayāṇam ānv anyā íd yayúr devā devāsya
 mahimānam ójasā | yāḥ párthivāni vimamé sá étaṣo rájānsi
 devāḥ savitā mahitvanā || 3 ||

उत यांसि सवितस्त्रीणि रोचनोत सूर्यस्य रश्मिभिः समुच्यसि ।
 उत रात्रीमुभयतः परीयस उत मित्रो भवसि देव धर्मेभिः ॥४॥
 उतेऽशिषे प्रसवस्य त्वमेक इदुत पूषा भवसि देव यामभिः ।
 उतेदं विश्वं भुवनं वि राजसि श्यावाश्चस्ते सवितः स्तोममानशे ॥५॥

utā yāsi savitas trīṇi rocanótā
 sūryasya raśmībhiḥ sām ucyasi | utā rātrīm ubhayātaḥ pá-
 rīyasa utā mitró bhavasi deva dhārmabhiḥ || 4 || utéśishe
 prasavāsya tvām éka íd utā pūshā bhavasi deva yāma-
 bhiḥ | utédāṁ víśvam bhúvanam ví rājasi śyāvāśvas te sa-
 vita stómam ānaṣe || 5 ||

The wise yogins concentrate their minds; and concentrate their thoughts as well in the Supreme Reality, which is omnipresent, great and omniscient. He alone, knowing their functions, assigns to the sense organs their respective tasks. Verily, great is the glory of the divine creator. 1

The wise creator, the Supreme Enlightenment, arrays himself in all forms. He brings forth what is good for biped and quadruped. The adorable creator illumines the heaven's high vault and continues to shine even after the departure of the Dawn (the first flashes of the inner conscience). 2

He is divine and resplendent; from Him alone the other gods, the sense organs, proceed to receive their majesty with power. He verily by His greatness has measured out the terrestrial regions. 3

You either traverse, O creator, the three regions (mental, vital and physical), or combine in one the entire radiations from the Sun of the innermost realms; and you pass between the night on either side. O divine creator, you are the Supreme measure of all through your benevolent actions. 4

You alone rule over the actions of living beings; you are nourisher. O divine creator on your own accord, you are sovereign over the whole world. The most intellectual and active devotee offers you praise, O creator. 5

(८२) इष्यतीतिनमं सूक्तम्.

(१-९) नवर्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्याग्नेयः श्वावाथ ऋषिः । सविता देवता । (१) प्रथमर्चोऽनुष्टुप्, (२-९)

द्विर्तीयाष्टपदानाञ्च गायत्री छन्दसी ॥

॥२५॥ तत्सवितुर्वृणीमहे वयं देवस्य भोजनम् । श्रेष्ठं सर्वधातमं तुरं भगस्य धीमहि ॥१॥
 अस्य हि स्वयंशस्तरं सवितुः कञ्चन प्रियम् । न मिनन्ति स्वराज्यम् ॥२॥
 स हि रत्नानि दाशुषे सुवाति सविता भगः । तं भागं चित्रमीमहे ॥३॥
 अया नो देव सवितः प्रजावत्सावीः सौभगम् । परां दुःष्वस्यं सुव ॥४॥
 विश्वानि देव सविनर्दुरितानि परां सुव । यद्भद्रं तन्न आ सुव ॥५॥

82.

Tāt savitūr vṛṇīmahe vayāṃ devāsya bhōjanam | śré-
 shtham sarvadhātamaṃ tūram bhāgasya dhīmahi || 1 || āsya
 hī svāyaśastaram savitūḥ kác caná priyām | ná minānti sva-
 rájyam || 2 || sá hī rátanāni dāśúshe suvāti savitā bhāgaḥ |
 tām bhāgāṃ citrām īmahe || 3 || adyā no deva savitaḥ pra-
 jāvat sāvīḥ saubhagam | pārā dushvápnyam suva || 4 || víś-
 vāni deva savitar duritāni pārā suva | yád bhadráṃ tán na
 á suva || 5 ||

॥२६॥ अनागसो अदितये देवस्य सवितुः सवे । विश्वा वामानि धीमहि ॥६॥
 आ विश्वदेवं सपतिं सुकैरया वृणीमहे । सत्यसवं सवितारम् ॥७॥
 य इमे उभे अहनी पुर एत्यप्रयुच्छन् । स्वाधीर्देवः सविता ॥८॥
 य इमा विश्वा जातान्याश्रावयन्ति श्लोकेन । प्र च सुवाति सविता ॥९॥

ānāgaso āditaye devāsya savitūḥ savé | víśvā vāmāni
 dhīmahi || 6 || á viśvādevaṃ sátpatiṃ sūktair adyā vṛṇī-
 mahe | satyāsavaṃ savitāram || 7 || yá imé ubhé áhanī purá
 éty áprayuchan | svādhír devāḥ savitā || 8 || yá imá víśvā
 jātāny āśrāváyati ślókena | prá ca suvāti savitā || 9 ||

We adore the excellent glory of the divine creator. May we receive from the gracious Lord that glory which is excellent, all-sustaining and victorious over adversities. 1

No one can impair the supremacy of this creator, who is most glorious and loved by all. 2

That creator Lord, who is gracious too, shall bestow precious treasure on the dedicated devotee. We implore to obtain our due portion from Him. 3

Grant us today, O divine creator, affluence and progeny, and drive away the painful dreams. 4

Remove from us, O divine creator all the ills and evils and bestow upon us that, what is good and beneficial. 5

Let us be free from sin towards that Mother of Infinity in the realm of the divine creator; may we obtain all heavenly riches from Him. 6

We glorify today with hymns the illuminator of all, the protector of the good, the embodiment of eternal truth, and the supreme creator. 7

We glorify the divine object of meditation, the creator, who is ever vigilant, and precedes both the night of dissolution and the day of creation. 8

The one who reveals His knowledge through the sacred hymns to all the living beings, and inspires them with life in this Creator. 9

(८३) प्रयोजितं सूक्तम्

(१-१०) दशार्चस्यास्य सूक्तस्य भौमोऽधिक्रियः । पर्जन्यो देवता । (१, ५-८, १०) प्रथमचः पञ्चम्यादि-
चतसृणां दशम्याश्च विष्टुः, (२-४) द्वितीयादितृचस्य अगती, (९) नवम्याश्चावुष्टुः छन्दसि ॥

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अच्छा वद तवसं गीर्भिराभिः स्तुहि पर्जन्यं नमसा विवास ।
 कनिकददृषभो जीरदानु रेतो दधात्वोपधीषु गर्भम् ॥१॥
 वि वृक्षान हन्त्युत हन्ति रक्षसो विश्वे विभाय भुवनं महावधात् ।
 उत्तानागा ईषते वृष्ण्यावतो यत्पर्जन्यः स्तनयन् हन्ति दुष्कृतः ॥२॥
 रथीव कश्यायथां अभिक्षिपन्नाविर्दूतान्कृणुते वृष्यां अह ।
 दूरात्सिंहस्य स्तनथा उदीरते यत्पर्जन्यः कृणुते वृष्यां नभः ॥३॥

83.

Āchā vada tavāsam gīrbhīr ābhī stuhī parjānyam nā-
 masā vivāsa | kánikradad vṛishabhó jirádānū réto dadhāty
 óshadhīshu gārbham || 1 || ví vṛikshān hanty utá hanti ra-
 ksháso viṣvam bibhāya bhúvanam mahāvadhāt | utánāgā
 īshate vṛishnyāvato yát parjānya stanāyan hānti dushkrí-
 taḥ || 2 || rathíva káṣayāśvān abhikshipānn āvír dūtān kṛi-
 ñute varshyān áha | dūrāt sínhāsya stanáthā úd irate yát
 parjānyaḥ kṛiñuté varshyām nábhaḥ || 3 ||

प्र वाता वान्ति पतयन्ति विद्युत् उदोपधीर्जिहते पिन्वते स्वः ।
 इरा विश्वस्मै भुवनाय जायते यत्पर्जन्यः पृथिवीं रेतसावति ॥४॥
 यस्य व्रते पृथिवी ननमीति यस्य व्रते शफवृजभुरीति ।
 यस्य व्रत ओषधीर्विश्वरूपाः स नः पर्जन्य महि शर्म यच्छ ॥५॥

prā vātā vānti
 patáyanti vidyúta úd óshadhīr jīhate pínvate svāḥ | írā víṣ-
 vasmai bhúvanāya jāyate yát parjānyaḥ pṛithivīm réta-
 sāvati || 4 || yásya vraté pṛithiví nánnamīti yásya vraté
 śaphávaj járbhuriti | yásya vratá óshadhīr viṣvárūpāḥ śa-
 naḥ parjanya máhi śarma yachha || 5 ||

I address the mighty cloud, with these invocations; I praise him with adoration. I worship him with reverence, who is the thunderer, the showerer, the bountiful, and who lays, in the plants, the seed for germination. 1

He strikes down the trees, he destroys the wicked, he terrifies the whole world, by his mighty weapon. Even the tender-hearted innocent shudders at the appearance of the thundering cloud, smiting the wicked. 2

As a charioteer, urges the horses with his whip, so the cloud speedens the rain, and the entire sky is covered with water, and all the space resounds with the roar of a lion. 3

The winds burst forth, the lightnings flash, the plants shoot up, and the firmament is covered to the full. The food springs in abundance for all creatures when the cloud fertilizes the soil with showers. 4

O cloud, under your supremacy the earth grows fertile; under your regime, all creatures thrive; and at your behest, plants assume all colours; may you grant happiness and prosperity. 5

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दिवो नो वृष्टिं मरुतो ररीध्वं प्र पिन्वत वृष्णो अश्वस्य धाराः ।
 अर्वाङ्गितेन स्तनयिनुनेह्यपो निषिञ्जन्सुरः पिता नः ॥६॥
 अभि क्रन्द स्तनय गर्भमा धा उदन्वता परि दीया रथेन ।
 दृतिं सु कर्ष विषितं न्यञ्जं समा भवन्तुद्धतो निपादाः ॥७॥
 महान्तं कोशमुदचा नि षिञ्ज स्यन्दन्तां कृत्या विषिताः पुरस्तात् ।
 घृतेन द्यावापृथिवी व्युन्धि सुप्रपाणं भवत्वघ्न्याभ्यः ॥८॥

यत्पर्जन्य कनिक्रदस्तनयन् हंसि दुष्कृतः ।

प्रतीदं विश्वं मोदते यत्किं च पृथिव्यामधि ॥९॥

अवर्षीर्वर्षमुदु पू गुभायाकर्धन्वान्यत्येतवा उ ।

अर्जीजन ओषधीर्भोजनाय कमुत प्रजान्व्योऽविदो मनीषाम् ॥१०॥

divó no vṛisṭīm maruto rarīdhvam prá pinvata vṛishṇo
 áṣvasya dhārāḥ | arvāñ eténa stanayitnúnéhy apó nishiñ-
 cánn ásurah pitā naḥ || 6 || abhí kranda stanáya gárbbham
 ā dhā udanvātā pári diyā ráthena | dṛitīm sū karsha ví-
 shitam nyāñcam samā bhavantūdváto nipādāḥ || 7 || mahān-
 taṁ kōṣam úd acā ní shiñca syándantām kulyā víshitāḥ
 purástāt | ghṛiténa dyāvāprithiví vy ũndhi suprapāṇám bha-
 vatv aghnyábhyaḥ || 8 || yát parjanya kánikradat stanáyan
 hánsi dushkrítaḥ | prátidám víśvam modate yát kíṁ ca
 prithivyām ádhi || 9 || ávarshīr varshám úd u shú ḡribhā-
 vākar dhānvāny átyetavá u | ájijana óshadhīr bhójanāya
 kām utá prajābhyo 'vido manīshām || 10 ||

(८४) चतुर्वशीतितमं सूक्तम्

(१-३) वृषस्याभ्य सूक्तस्य भीमोऽविक्रान्तिः । पृथिवी देवता । अनुष्टुप् छन्दः ॥

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वह्निस्था पर्वतानां खिद्रं बिभर्षि पृथिवि ।

प्र या भूमिं प्रवत्वति मुह्ना जिनोषि महिनि ॥१॥

Bá! itthá párvatānām khidrām bibharshi prithivi | prá
 yá bhūmim pravatvati mahnā jinóshi mahini || 1 ||

Send down for us, O divine winds, the rain from heaven. Let the showers of fertility descend in torrents from the speedy clouds. Come down with thunder, O cloud, sprinkling water; you verily are our protector. 6

May you cry aloud and impregnate the plants. May you traverse the sky with your water-laden chariot and draw open the tight-fastened, downward turned water-bags, and may the high and low places be made level. 7

May you lift up the mighty treasury, pour down its contents, let the rivers flow unimpeded forward. May you saturate with water both heaven and earth, and let there be abundant bererage for the cattle. 8

When, O clouds, sounding loud and thundering, you destroy the wicked, this universe and all that is upon the earth rejoices. 9

You have poured down sufficiently; now withhold the rain. You have made the deserts very much fed for utilization. You have given birth to plants for man's nourishment. Verily you have obtained laudation from all living creatures. 10

O firmament verily you sustain the rending tools of the clouds and give delight to the earth, with your might and greatness. 1

स्तोमामस्त्वा विचारिणि प्रति शोभन्त्यक्तुभिः ।
 प्र या वाजं न हेषन्तं परुमस्यस्यर्जुनि ॥२॥
 ब्रह्मा चित्वा वनस्पतीन्क्ष्मया दर्धप्योजसा ।
 यत्ते अभस्य विद्युतो दिवो वर्षन्ति वृष्टयः ॥३॥

stómāsas

tvā vicāriṇi prāti śtobhantya aktūbhiḥ | prā yā vājam nā
 hēśantam perūm āsyasy arjuni || 2 || dṛiḥā cid yā vānas-
 pātīn kṣmayā dārdharshy ōjasā | yāt te abhrāsya vidyūto
 divo vārshanti vṛištāyaḥ || 3 ||

(८५) पञ्चाशीतितम सूक्तम्

(१-८) भद्रवस्यस्य सूक्तस्य भौमोऽविक्रमिः । वरुणो देवता । विष्टुप उन्धः ॥

॥३०॥ प्र सम्राजे बृहदर्चा गभीरं ब्रह्म प्रियं वरुणाय श्रुताय ।
 वि यो जघानं शमितेव चर्मोपस्तिरे पृथिवीं सूर्याय ॥१॥
 वनेषु व्यन्तरिक्षं ततान् वाजुमवत्सु पयां उस्त्रियासु ।
 हत्सु क्रतुं वरुणो अप्सवर्गं दिवि सूर्यमदधात्सोममद्रौ ॥२॥
 नीचीनवारं वरुणः कवन्धं प्र ससर्ज रोदसी अन्तरिक्षम् ।
 तेन विश्वस्य भुवनस्य राजा यवं न वृष्टिर्व्यनक्ति भूम ॥३॥

85.

Prā samrāje bṛihād arcā gabhīrām brāhma priyām vā-
 ruṇāya śrutāya | vi yō jaghāna śamitéva cārmopastire pri-
 thivīm sūryāya || 1 || vāneshu vy āntārikṣaṃ tatāna vājam
 ārvatsu pāya usriyāsu | hṛitsā krātum vāruṇo apsv āgnīm
 divī sūryam adadhāt sōmam ādrau || 2 || nīcīnabhāram vāru-
 naḥ kāvandham prā sasarja rōdasī antārikṣam | téna viś-
 vasya bhūvanasya rājā yavam nā vṛištīr vy ūnatti bhūma
 || 3 ||

O wanderer in various ways, your worshippers praise you with sacred songs; O bright-hued, you drive the swollen cloud like a neighing horse. 2

When showers pour down from the clouds in the shining sky, you sustain the forest-trees with your solid rocks and mighty strength. 3

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May you offer a sublime, solemn and loving prayer to the great and imperial sovereign Virtuous Lord, who spreads the firmament as a bed for the sun, like a hunter spreading out the skin of the dead. 1

He extends the firmament over the tree-tops, puts vigour in horses, milk in kine, devotion in hearts, fire in the waters, the sun in heaven and herbs on mountains. 2

The Virtuous Lord open the clouds and set free the water to flow downward, for the sake of heaven, the earth and the mid-region. Thence He becomes the supreme monarch of all the world, watering the soil as the rain bedews the barley. 3

अन॑त्ति भूमिं॑ पृथि॒वीमु॒त यां॑ यदा॒ दुग्धं॑ वरु॒णो व॑ष्ट॒वादित् ।
 सम॑भ्रेण॒ वसत॑ पर्व॒तामस्त॑विषी॒यन्तः॑ श्र॒धयन्त॑ वी॒राः ॥४॥
 इ॒माम् प्वा॑सुर॒स्य श्रु॑त॒स्य म॒हीं मा॒यां वरु॑ण॒स्य प्र वो॑चम् ।
 मा॒नेने॒व तस्मि॑न् वि॒ यो यो॑ म॒मे पृथि॒वीं सूर्ये॑ण ॥५॥

unātti bhūmim prithivīm utā dyām yadā dugdhām
 vārūṇo vāshty ād it | sām abhrēṇa vasata pārvatāsaṣ tavi-
 shīyāntaḥ śrathayanta virāḥ ॥ 4 ॥ imām ū shv āsurāṣya
 śrutāṣya mahīm māyām vārūṇasya prā vocam | máneneva
 tasthivāṇ antārikshe ví yó mamé prithivīm sūryeṇa
 ॥ 5 ॥

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इ॒माम् नु॑ क॒वित॑म॒स्य मा॒यां म॒हीं दे॒वस्य॑ नकि॒रा द॑र्ष ।
 एकं॑ यदु॒द्रा न॑ पृ॒णन्त्ये॒नीरा॑सि॒जन्ती॑रु॒चन॑यः॒ समु॑द्रम् ॥६॥
 अ॒र्यस्य॑ वरु॒ण मि॒त्र्यं वा॒ सखा॑यं वा॒ स॒दुमि॑च्छा॒न्तरे॑ वा ।
 वे॒शं वा॒ नित्यं॑ वरु॒णार॑णं वा॒ वत्सी॑मा॒गश्च॑कृ॒मा शि॒श्रथु॑स्तत् ॥७॥
 कि॒तवा॑सा॒ यद्रि॑रि॒पुर्न दी॒वि यदा॑ वा॒ स॒त्यमु॑त॒ यन्न॑ वि॒द्म ।
 सर्वा॑ ता वि॒ प्यं शि॒थिरे॒व दे॒वावां॑ ते स्याम॒ वरु॑ण॒ प्रिया॑सः ॥८॥

imām ū nū kavītamasya māyām mahīm devāṣya nākir
 ā dadharsha | ékaṁ yād udnā ná priṇānty énir āsiṇcāntir
 avānayaḥ samudrām ॥ 6 ॥ aryamyām varuṇa mitryām vā
 sākḥāyam vā sādām id bhrātaram vā | veśām vā nītyam
 varuṇāraṇam vā yāt sim āgaṣ cakṛimā śiśrāthas tát ॥ 7 ॥
 kitavāso yād riripūr ná divi yād vā ghā satyām utā yān
 ná vidmā | sārva tā ví shya śithirēva devādhā te syāma
 varuṇa priyāsaḥ ॥ 8 ॥

When the most virtuous Lord is pleased to grant milk,
He moistens the sky, the land and earth. Thereupon the
mountains clothe their summits with the rain clouds and
the vital winds, exulting in their strength, compel the
clouds to release water. 4

I declare this great marvelous accomplishment of the
renowned and virtuous Lord, who abiding in the mid-
space has meted the firmament by the sun as if by a
measure. 5

No one can counteract the device of the most sagacious
divine Lord, whereby with all their floods, the lucid rivers
would never be able to fill even one sea, wherein they
have been pouring their waters so long. 6

O most Virtuous Lord, if we have even sinned against a
benefactor, or a friend, a comrade, a host, a brother, or
neighbour or a stranger, may you remove that stigma
from us. 7

If like gamesters, who cheat at play, we have done a
wrong, knowingly or without knowledge, then may you,
O Virtuous Lord, cast all these sins away like loosened
fettters so that we become dear to you. 8

(८६) षड्रातिमं सूक्तम्

(१-६) षड्वचसांश्च भूतस्य भीमोऽविर्जयिः । इन्द्राग्नी देवते । (१-५) प्रथमादिवचनानुष्टुप् ।

(६) षड्वचसां विराट्पूर्वा इन्द्राग्नी ॥

॥ २२ ॥

इन्द्राग्नी यमवथ उभा वाजेषु मर्त्यम् ।
 हृद्धा चित्स प्र भेदति युष्मा वाणीरिव त्रितः ॥ १ ॥
 या पृतनासु दुष्टरा या वाजेषु श्रवाभ्या ।
 या पञ्च चर्षणीरुभीन्द्राग्नी ता हवामहे ॥ २ ॥
 तयोरिदमवच्छवस्तिग्मा दियुन्मघोनेः ।
 प्रति द्रुणा गभस्त्वोर्गवां वृत्रघ्न पपते ॥ ३ ॥

86.

Indrāgnī yām āvatha ubhā vājeshu mātṛyam | dṛiḥhā cit
 sā prā bhedati dyumnā vānīr iva tritāḥ || 1 || yā pṛitanāsu
 dushtārā yā vājeshu śravāyā | yā pāñca carshaṇīr abhīn-
 drāgnī tā havāmahe || 2 || tāyor id āmavac chāvas tigmā
 didyūn maghōṇḥ | prāti drūṇā gābhastyor gāvām vṛitra-
 ghnā éshate || 3 ||

ता यामेषे रथानामिन्द्राग्ना हवामहे ।
 पती तुरस्य गधसो विद्वांसो निर्वणस्तमा ॥ १ ॥
 ता वृधन्तावनु यन्मतीय देवावुद्भवा ।
 अहन्ता चित्पुरो दुधेगेव देवावयन्ते ॥ २ ॥
 एवेन्द्राग्निभ्यामहावि हव्यं शुष्यं घृतं न पूतमद्रिभिः ।
 ता सुरिषु श्रवो बृहदयि गृणत्सु दिधृतमिषं गृणत्सु दिधृतम् ॥ ३ ॥

tā vām éshe ráthānām indrāgnī havā-
 mahe | pāti turāśya rādhaso vidvānsā gīrvaṇastamā || 4 || tā
 vṛidhāntāv ānu dyūn mātṛyā devāv adābhā | ārhantā cit
 puró dadhé 'ñseva devāv ārvate || 5 || evēndrāgnibhyām
 āhāvi havayām śuśhyām ghṛitām ná pūtām ādribhiḥ | tā
 sūriṣhu śrávo bṛihád rayīm gṛiṇātsu didhṛitam íṣham gṛi-
 nātsu didhṛitam || 6 ||

The mortal man, whom you O twin-Lord of celestial and Terrestrial fires, help in the conflict of life, breaks through even the strongly guarded treasures of adversaries as the speech of the sage of three-fold virtues. 1

We invoke the Twin-lord of celestial and Terrestrial fires, who is irresistible at the time of strife of life and worthy to be renowned in frays and protects the five classes of people. 2

Overpowering is His strength; and bright and sharp is the weapon in the hands of that bounteous Lord. He goes with speed as if on a chariot for the destruction of evil and recovery of the lost wisdom. 3

We invoke you to the battle of life, O twin-Lord of celestial and terrestrial fires, the all-knowing, the one most deserving of adorations and master of quick-coming wealth. 4

O invincible, spotless Twin-lord of celestial and Terrestrial fires, who inspires mortal men to grow every day, I pay tribute to you O the shining ones for the sake of obtaining vigour. 5

The invigorating homage of devotional love, sweet as the elixir extracted by the grinding stones, and pure as butter, has been offered to the twin-Lord of celestial and Terrestrial fires. May He grant fame and ample wealth to the enlightened and dedicated devotees and food to those who sing His praise. 6

(८७) समार्गानितमं मृतम्

(१-२) नवत्स्याम्य मृतस्य विष एवयामरुतिः । मृतो देवताः । अविजगतां छन्दः ॥

॥३३॥ प्र वो महे मतयो यन्तु विष्णवे मरुत्वते गिरिजा एवयामरुत् ।
 प्र गर्धाय प्रयज्यवे सुखादये तवसे भन्ददिष्टये धुनिवताय शवसे ॥१॥
 प्र ये जाता महिना ये च नु स्वयं प्र विद्मना ब्रुवत एवयामरुत् ।
 कत्या तदो मरुतो नाध्रुषे शवो दाना मुह्ये तदेयामधृष्टासो नाद्रयः ॥२॥
 प्र ये दिवो बृहतः शृष्ट्विरे गिरा सुशुक्लानः सुभ्य एवयामरुत् ।
 न येपामिरी मधस्थ ईष्ट आं अमयो न स्ववियुतः प्र स्पन्द्रासो धुनीनाम् ॥३॥

87.

Prá vo mahé matáyo yantu víshṇave marútvate girijá
 evayámarut | prá śárdhāya práyajyave sukhādāye tavāse
 bhandádishṭaye dhūnivratāya śávase || 1 || prá yé jātā ma-
 hinā yé ea nú svayám prá vidmānā bruvāta evayámarut |
 krátvā tát vo maruto nādhrishe śavo dānā mahnā tát
 eshām ádhrisṭāso nádrayaḥ || 2 || prá yé divó bṛihatāḥ
 śrīṇvīre girá suśúkvanāḥ subhvā evayámarut | ná yéshām
 irī sadhásttha íṣṭa āñ agnáyo ná svávidyutaḥ prá syand-
 ráso dhūninām || 3 ||

स चक्रमे महतो निरुरुक्रमः समानस्मात्सदस एवयामरुत् ।
 यदायुक्त त्मना स्वादधि ण्णुभिर्विष्वर्धसो विमहसो जिगाति शेवृधो नृभिः ॥४॥
 स्वतो न योऽमवात्रजयद्रुषो त्वेषो ययिस्तद्विष एवयामरुत् ।
 येना सहन्त क्रज्जत स्वरोचिषः स्थाग्मानो हिरण्ययाः स्वायुधास इष्मिणः ॥५॥

sá cakrame maható nír urukramāḥ
 samānāsmāt sádasa evayámarut | yadáyukta tmánā svād
 ádhi śhṇúbhir víshpardhaso vímahaso jīgāti sévridho nṛi-
 bhiḥ || 4 || svanó ná vó 'mavān rejayad vṛishā tveshó yayís
 tavishá evayámarut | yénā sáhanta řīñjāta svárocisha sthā-
 raṣmāno hiranyáyāḥ svāyudhāsa ishmīnaḥ || 5 ||

May the praises recited by the dexterous mortal reach to the all-pervading Lord, associated with vital principles. He is strong, adorable, brilliantly-adorned, vigorous, praise-loving, who rushes on with joy to scatter dark evil forces. 1

The dexterous mortal glorifies those vital forces which are manifested with greatness and appear speedily and spontaneously with the knowledge. O vital principles, your infinite liberality is beyond comprehension. You look unmoveable and stable like mountains. 2

The dexterous mortal glorifies those clouds with praise, who, while descending from vast midspace look brilliant and happy; and who hear our invocation. No one can yoke them and disturb in their commonhome. They, like self-radiant fires, are impellers of rivers. 3

When the dexterous mortal of vital energy harnesses his own chariot with rapid horses at his residence, the rain-shedding clouds, emulous, vigorous and conferrers of happiness, sally forth from their spacious common dwelling space. 4

Let not the tremendous roar of your approach, which is mighty, the announcer of rain, the shedder of light diffusive and loud, shudder the dexterous mortal of vital energy. O clouds, you are victorious, self-luminous, decked with gold, well-equipped with weapons and provider of food, and such as you are, you always successfully accomplish your functions. 5

३५॥ अपारो वो महिमा वृद्धशवमस्त्वेषं शवोऽवत्येवयामरुत् ।
 स्वातारि हि प्रसितौ संदृशि स्थतु ते न उरुष्यता निदः शुशुक्रांशो नागयः ॥६॥
 ते रुद्रासुः सुमखा अग्नयो यथा तुविद्युन्ना अवत्येवयामरुत् ।
 दीर्घं पृथु पंप्रथे सद्य पार्थिवं येषामग्नेष्वामुहः शर्धास्यद्वैतैतनसाम् ॥७॥
 अद्वेषो नो मरुतो गातुमेतत् श्रोता हवै जरितुरेवयामरुत् ।
 विष्णोर्महः समन्यवो युयोतत् स्मद्व्योऽं न दंसनाप द्वेषांसि सनुतः ॥८॥
 गन्ता नो यज्ञं यज्ञियाः सुशमि श्रोता हवमरुत् एवयामरुत् ।
 ज्येष्ठांसो न पर्वतासो व्योमनि यूयं तस्य प्रचेतसः स्यात् दुर्धर्तवो निदः ॥९॥

apārō vo mahimā vṛiddhaśavasas tveshām śavo 'vatv
 evayāmarut | sthātāro hī prāsītau samdrīṣi sthāna té na
 urushyātā nidāḥ śusukvāṁso nāgnāyah || 6 || té rudrāsaḥ sū-
 makhā agnāyo yathā tuvidyumnā avantv evayāmarut | dīr-
 ghām prithū paprathe sādma pāarthivam yēshām ājmeshv
 ā mahāḥ śardhāṁsy ādbhūtainasām || 7 || adveshó no maruto
 gātīm étana śrótā hávam jaritúr evayāmarut | vishṇor ma-
 hāḥ samanyavo yuyotana smád rathyò ná daṁsānāpa dvē-
 shāṁsi sanutāḥ || 8 || gāntā no yajñām yajñīyāḥ suśāmi śrótā
 hávam arakshā evayāmarut | jyēshthāso ná párvatāso vyò-
 mani yūyam tāsya pracetasah syāta durdhārtavo nidāḥ
 || 9 ||

O possessor of vast strength, may your unbounded greatness, and brilliant vigour protect the dexterous mortal, for obviously you help in the time of trouble and save us from shame and insult. You are in your glory like the glowing fire. 6

May these cosmic vital principles, worthy of worship, and resplendent like fire, protect the dexterous mortal. It is through them that this ethereal dwelling has been extended and made spacious and luminous. They are free from faults and manifest mighty energies when they proceed at the time of confrontations. 7

O vital principles, free of enmity, come to our place of chanting hymns and hear the prayers of the devout dexterous mortal. O brave divines, may you who are the associates and devotees of all-pervading Lord, drive away like warriors seated on chariots, our hidden foes with your valour. 8

O adorable vital principles, come to our sacred worship with grace and hear the invocation of unprotected dexterous mortal. You as formidable as lofty mountains for defence. O profoundly wise ones, may you strike the wicked impulses without compassions. 9

1. The first principle is that of the unity of the human mind. It is the basis of all knowledge and the source of all truth. It is the unity of the human mind that makes it possible for us to understand the world and to know ourselves. It is the unity of the human mind that makes it possible for us to create art and to discover science. It is the unity of the human mind that makes it possible for us to live and to love.

2. The second principle is that of the plurality of the human mind. It is the basis of all knowledge and the source of all truth. It is the plurality of the human mind that makes it possible for us to understand the world and to know ourselves. It is the plurality of the human mind that makes it possible for us to create art and to discover science. It is the plurality of the human mind that makes it possible for us to live and to love.

3. The third principle is that of the unity of the human mind. It is the basis of all knowledge and the source of all truth. It is the unity of the human mind that makes it possible for us to understand the world and to know ourselves. It is the unity of the human mind that makes it possible for us to create art and to discover science. It is the unity of the human mind that makes it possible for us to live and to love.

4. The fourth principle is that of the plurality of the human mind. It is the basis of all knowledge and the source of all truth. It is the plurality of the human mind that makes it possible for us to understand the world and to know ourselves. It is the plurality of the human mind that makes it possible for us to create art and to discover science. It is the plurality of the human mind that makes it possible for us to live and to love.

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NOTES ON BOOK IV

Hymn-1

1. **Samanyavah devasah**—learned people, accompanying temper (मन्वुना क्रोधेन सह वर्त्तमानः विद्वान्—*Daya.*); emulous gods, gods vying with (स्पर्धामानाः इन्द्रादयो देवाः—*Sayana*; समन्वयः—मन्वुः स्पर्धा, तथा सह वर्त्तमानाः); Nature's bounties, vying with each other.

Compare the morphic nature of the first three verses of this hymn with the hymn I. 127 to I. 138; their metres are long as *asti*, *atijagati*, *dhr̥ti*, *atisakvari*, *atidhr̥ti*, or *atyasti*; at the end of the last line in each verse, there is a repetition of three or four words. It is difficult to say whether there is a deliberate, pure or even a partially modified sense in these repetitions.

4. The verse occurs as Yv. XXI. 3.

5. See also Yv. XXI. 4; *av vaksua*, come to (मंगच्छस्व—*Daya.*); destroy (अवयज, विनाशयेत्स्वर्वा—*Sayana*).

Varunam—**Varuna-kṛtam** (वरुणकृतं)—a disease inflicted by Varuna (जलोदरादिरोगं or dropsy)—*Sayana*. Dayananda translates *varunam* as, to a venerable teacher or preceptor (श्रेष्ठमध्यापकमुपदेयकं वा).

7. **Janimani**, जनिमनि=जन्मानि; three births of *agni*, as *fire* on the earth, *vayu* or lightning in the midspace, and *surya* in heaven. See Rv I, 95. 3; X. 45.1

8. **Hiranya-rathah**, one with shining or attractive form, one whose chariot or character is similar to that of the sun (तेजोमय रथगीय स्वरूपस्मूर्य इव रथो व्यवहारो यस्य स—*Daya.*); one with golden chariot—*Sayana*.

Ramsu-jihvah, one with beautiful flame (*Sayana*) or one with charming speech (*Daya.*).

Rohidasvah, one with red horses or red fast moving vehicles (रोहिता रक्तादि गुणविशिष्टा अश्वाद्योश्वा आशुगामिनो यस्य स—*Daya.*).

10. **ब्रह्मा** = ब्रह्म (a Vedic usage); **माभिमृश्येन**—*Sayana*.

11. **Budhne** = in the midspace (*Daya.*), *rajasah*, of the group of worlds (लोकसमूहस्य—*Daya.*; but of the midspace—अन्तरिक्षस्य—*Sayana*). *Sayana* translates *budhne* as in the root, or on the earth (बुध्ने मूले पृथिव्यां).

Nilhe, नीले = नीरे, गृहे = in the house, in the nest; in the sky (नीले निलये नभसि; also नीले कुलाय मूलेऽन्तरिक्षे वैद्युताग्निं रूपेण वर्त्तमानं त्वा—in verse 12.—*Sayana*

Vṛsabhasya, of the sun; of the showerer (*Daya.*); of the clouds (*Sayana*).

13. **Asmakam pitarah**, of our forefathers; of our protectors or guardians. According to *Sayana*, here is a reference to *angirasah*, the first discoverers of fire by attrition, or the fire-technicians in general.

16. **Te manvata prathamam nama dhenoh**—they first comprehended the name of *dhenu*, speech (धेनोः वाण्याः—*Daya.*; वाचः सन्बन्धि—*Sayana*), name or नाम is स्तुतिसाधकं शब्दमात्रं mere sound as the means of praise. The passage is also supposed to refer to the ancient nomenclature of cattle as uttered by *Angirasas*: तेऽङ्गिरसः प्रथमं पुरातनं नाम एहि सुरभि गुग्मुत्तमन्धिनीति धेनोर्नामधेयं मन्यत उच्चारयामासुः ।

Trih-sapta, $3 \times 7 = 21$; 21 Vedic metres extending from the Gayatri of 24 syllables to one of 104 syllables, (21 jewels stolen by Panis, मातुर्भूम्या स्वभूतानि पणिभिरपहृतानि त्रिः सप्त रत्नानि विन्दन्—*Sayana*).

20. See Yv. XXXIII. 16; **Aditi**, continuous interspace अखण्डमन्तरिक्षम्—*Daya.*; the earth, the support of all—विश्वेषां देवानामदितिर्भूत्वानीयः आधारभूत इति यावत्—*Sayana*.

Hymn-2

1. **Martyesu**, among the mortal (मर्त्येषु मरणघर्षेषु—*Daya.*); or among mortal sense-organs (वागादीन्द्रियेषु निहित—*Sayana*); **agni in man** becomes the speech;—अग्निवर्गभूत्वा मुखं प्राविशत्—*Ait. Up.* II. 4.

3. **Antariyase yusmansca devan visa a ca marttan**, thou goest between you, the gods and men; this probably refers to *Agni*, he goes to men to receive the oblations and then to gods (Nature's bounties), of whom he is one, to bear it to them.

4. *Aryamanam*, to a judge, न्यायाधीश; *varunam*, to a venerable, वैश्वदेव; *mitram*, to a friend, मित्रायम्; *Indra—Visnu*, lightning and *sutatman*, सूतारमन्, *marutah*, to wind or air, *Ashvinau*, pair of sun and moon (*Daya.*).

6. *Tatapatē*, ततपते, O, the protector of the extensive, ततानां विस्तृतानां पालक (*Daya.*); burns or heats with a load of wood-fuel, ततपते काष्ठभारेण तापयति (*Sayana*).

Hemyavan, one who relates to *hemya*; *hema*=water (Nigh. I. 12) —हेम्यवदके भवारात्रिविद्यते यस्य (*Daya.*); स्वर्णनिर्मित कक्षावान्, having a girth made of gold (*Sayana*).

Dosa—in the night.

11. *Clitīm acitīm cinavat*, may the sage (*Agni*) distinguish that which is to be known; चित्ति=ज्ञातव्यं पुण्यं, the virtue worth knowing;—कृतचयानां क्रिया; or चित्ति=ज्ञानं knowledge; अचित्ति अज्ञानं or nescience = अकृतचयानां क्रिया (*Daya.*).

15. *Divasputra angiraso bhavema*, may we, O *Angirasa*, be the sons of heaven or may we, the sons of heaven, be *Angirases*.

Angirases bhavema, possessed of a superior power.

(*Angirases* are known as the sons of *Aditya*;—that which was his seed was first manifested as *Aditya*, thence in succession, those which were the cinders became the *angirases*: अङ्गिरसामादित्यपुत्रत्वमेवमाग्न्यायते—“तस्य यद्वेतसः प्रथममुददीप्यत तदसावादित्योऽभवत्” इत्युपक्रम्य—“वेङ्गारा आसंस्तेऽङ्गिरसोऽभवन्—Ait. Br. III. 34).

According to *Dayananda*, sons of enlightenment or light, like vital breaths (प्रकाशस्य तनयः प्राणा इव).

Adrim rujema dhaninam, this according to the tradition alludes to the rock in which the cows were hidden. *Adri* is also cloud (Nigh. I. 10) or a cloud-like adversary (मेघमिव शत्रुम्—*Daya.*).

16. See Yv. XIX. 69; अघा=अघ (निपातस्य चेति दोषः)

Ksama, the earth (Nigh. I. 1)

17. जनिमा=जनिम=जन्म, janma, of the birth.

Gavyam, with *go* or with *speech* (गोमयं वाङ्मयम्).

18. *Ayutheva ksumati pasvah akhyat devanam yaj-janima anti*, lit. like a herd in food—possessing animals, he has said to the gods that which birth is nigh (*Wilson*); or herd of cattle in a well-stored stall, (To Sayana, *janima* is *go*—Sangham, or herd of cattle); *Yutha*, army (तेन्यानीव—*Daya*.)

Urvasih, of widely pervading ones (बहुभ्यापिका—*Daya*.); progeny (प्रजा:—*Sayana*).

Sayana refers to Nir. V.13. *Urvasi* is a naiad (so called because she pervades wide regions (उरु+√मृष् to pervade), or she pervades by means of thighs (उरु+√मृष् to pervade); or her desire is great (उरु+√मृष् to desire).

Akṣpran, were made able (कल्पन्ते—*Daya*.; ताभिरानीताभिर्गोभिः कल्पताः समर्पा अमवन्—*Sayana*).

(The *urvasi* has nothing to do with the current pauranik legend of the birth of an *apsara* of the name from the thigh of Narayana.)

Hymn-3

1. *Pura tanayitnoh acittat*; lit. before the unconsciousness of the thunderbolt; implying a state of unconsciousness, or death as sudden as if the work of the thunderbolt (*tanayitnoh*—विद्युतः—*Daya*.; अशनिः ह्यास्मिकः—*Sayana*; *acittat*—अविद्यमानं चित्तं यत्र तस्मात्—*Daya*.; नि विद्यते चित्तं यस्मिन् तदचित्तम् । चित्तोपलक्षित सर्वेन्द्रियोपसंहारो मरणमिति यावत् । तस्मान्मरणात्—*Sayana*.)

2. *Jayeva patya usati suvasah*—See Rv. I. 124.7; IV. 3.2; X. 71, 4; 91.13; Nir. I.19; III.5); cf जायापतिमिव वाससा, Av. XVIII. 2.51—as a wife attached to her husband puts on elegant garments (ह्या स्त्रीव स्वामिने कामयमाना शोभनवस्त्रालंकृता—*Daya*.).

The beautiful usage of this analogy is in reference to *speech*, X. 71.4; 5, as given in Nir. I.19. चक्रमा = चक्रम a Vedic license (संहितायामिति दीर्घः).

5. Agah, fault (अपरमम्—*Daya.*; तत् पापम्—*Sayana.*).

6. Nṛghne rudraya, to the man-destroying *Rudra*, to the destroyer of the sin—committing men, i.e. of wicked ones; नृणां पापकृतां हन्ते—*Sayana.*

7. Sarave—to the one, destroyer of the wicked (दुष्टानां हितकाम—*Daya.*; शरवे, धृणाति पक्वा ओषधीरति शरः शरत् संवत्सरः, यद्वा, हिंसिका निवृत्तिः—*Sayana.*). Saru (शर) means *Nirṛti* the female personification of evil.

The word *Nirṛti* is also used in masculine (*Taittiriya Yajus*, I. 2.11), meaning an evil spirit disturbing sacrifice.

10. Pṛsni, the sun (*Sayana*); midspace (*Daya.*); sky (*Nigh.* I. 4)

11. Svar abhavat jate agnau, the sun was manifest as *agni* was engendered.

16. Nivacana kavyani, ever to-be-recited poems (नितरामुच्यन्तेऽर्वा येस्तानि कविभिर्निमित्तानि, the poems with extensive or deep meanings—*Daya.*).

Hymn-4

For verses 1, 14, and 15 see Nir. VI. 12; V. 15 and III. 21 respectively.

1. *Raja-iva ama-van ibhena*—in this phrase *ibhena* (इभेन)=by fearless (host), यतमयेन or=by an elephant (हस्तिना); *ama van* (अमज्वात्)=strong one (बलवान्); also a minister (अमात्य) or an associate; or sickness, inflicting it on the foe.

May thy powerful throng extensive. Powerful throng (पावः) is so called from being maintained (√पात्).

Prasīth (प्रसिद्धिः) is so called from being fastened (प्र—√सि); noose or net. Go like a king who is accompanied by his ministers, or who is the terror of his enemies, or who is followed by his own attendants, i.e. retinue, well-nourished with food, or (riding) a fearless elephant. Hastening after the net with speed: the word (तुष्ठी) is a synonym of quick; it is derived from √तु (to pass over), or from √त्वर to hurry.

Thou shootest, transfix the fiends with darts that burn, or enflame or crush down most fiercely. (Nir. VI.12).

Tṛsvim, towards one who is thirsty (निपासिताम्—*Daya.*), the one who is speedy or in hurry (तृप्=क्षिप्र=quick; Nigh. II.15; it is derived from √तृ, to pass over, or from √त्वर, to hurry; तस्तेर्वा त्वस्तेर्वा—Nir. VI. 12).

Prasitim, bondage (बन्धनम्—*Daya.*); net-thread (प्रसितिः प्रसहनात्तन्तुर्वा जालं वा); a trained or well-equipped army (प्रकृष्टां सेनाम्—*Sayana*).

2. See Yv. XIII.10.

3. See Yv. XIII.11.

Spasah, touching (rays); *prati-spasah*, opposing rays (परबाधकान् रश्मीन् चारान्—*Sayana*; *visrja*, to direct against.

Spasah etc. may also mean *caran*, चारान् or spies, sent to discriminate between true and false (सत्यान्त विवेकार्थं—*Sayana*).

4. **Aratim**, to the enemy (शत्रुं—*Daya.*); one who annuls or prevents our donation (अरातिमदानं वा कुर्वते—*Sayana*); one who makes a gift no gift.

5. **Jamim-ajamim**, whether kindred or allied, (बन्धुमबन्धुम्—*Sayana*; whether enjoying or non-enjoying भोगमभोगम्—*Daya.*); or repeated or not repeated (पुनरुक्तमपुनरुक्तम्—*Mahidhara*); or repeatedly chastized or not chastized (पुनस्पुनस्ताडितमताडितं वा—*Mahidhara*). See Yv. XIII.13.

6. **Ivate brahmane**—for the one who knows the Veda, and is well-versed in knowledge (विद्याभ्याप्ताय वेदविदे—*Daya.*); a Brahman coming quickly—*Wilson*. (cf. ईवते गमनवर्ते कल्याणहेतुभूतागमनाय; ब्रह्मणे परिवृद्धाय—*Sayana*).

Aryah vi durah abhi dyaut, shines upon his door or dwelling; also the worshipper specially shines over his house (भयः कर्मणामनुष्ठाता सः यजमानो दुरो गृहानभिविद्योत् विशेषेण चोत्ते—*Sayana*).

8. **Su-asvah tva su-rathah**, good horses and good chariots. *Sayana* regards the phrase as metaphorical for, may we, being with sons and grandsons, and the like worship thee (उपसज्जनमेतत् । पुत्रपौत्रादिभिः सहिताः सन्तः त्वाम्, मर्जयेम् भलंकुर्याम्—*Sayana*).

9. **Kridantah**, practising for efficiency in defence sciences and war technique (धनुर्वेद विद्याशिक्षणाय युद्धाय शस्त्राभ्यासं कुर्वन्तः—*Daya.*); playing and enjoying the company of children and grand-children in family (स्वे स्वे गृहे पुत्रपौत्रादिभिः सह संकीडमानाः—*Sayana*). Compare with कीलन्तो पुत्रैर्वन्तुभिर्मोदमानो स्व गृहे, X.85.42.

11. **Gotamat**, from *gauh* (गौरिति स्तोतृनाम—*Nigh.* III.16), i.e. from the one who praises the superb knowledge (प्रतिशयेन गोः सकलविद्यास्तोता तस्मात्—*Daya.*).

13. **Payavah**, the protectors (रक्षकाः—*Daya.* and *Sayana*).

Mamateyam, one with egoism, attachment and the like (ममत्वाच्च ममता तस्या इवम्—*Daya.*; one-born of Mamata (ममता). For Mamateya, see I.147.3; I.58.6; and IV.4.13. *Sayana* refers to an allusion to the well-known filthy legend of the birth of Dirghatamas, who in this verse is said to have recovered his sight by worshipping Agni.

14. **Anusthuya Krnuhi ahrayana**,—*ahrayana* (अह्रयाण) means one whose car does not bring shame to him. "Make it presently O (Agni) whose car does not bring shame (Nir.V.15). We have a similar word *hara-yana* (हर-याण), meaning, one whose car is moving constantly (VIII.25.22).

15. **Aya to agne samidha vidhema**, *aya* (अया) and *ena* (एना, with this) are synonyms of reference, "With this faggot, we worship thee, O Agni. Here it (अया) is in the feminine gender. *Ena* (एना, with this) is in neuter gender as in एना वो अग्निं (with this, to us, O Agni—VII.16.1). See Nir. III.21.

Hymn-5

For verse 7, see Nir. VI.18.

2. **Svadhavan**, an affluent person with plenty of food etc. (बहुवन्ताद्यैश्वर्यम्—*Daya.*; स्वधावान् अस्मद् दत्तेन हविर्लक्षणेनाग्नेन तद्धान् सन्—*Sayana.*).

3. **Dvi-barhah**, filling both; the elderly one, with learning and humility both (द्वयस्यां विद्याविनयाभ्यां वृद्धः—*Daya.*); one who fills both the positions, middle and the best (द्विबर्हाः द्वयोर्मध्यमोत्तमयोः स्थानयोः पस्विदः—*Sayana*).

Apagulham, secret or mysterious (गुप्तम्—*Daya.*; अत्यन्तरहस्यम्—*Sayana*).

Manisam=ज्ञातव्यम्, what is to be known (*Sayana*, who connects it with साम, *Sama*);=intellect (प्रज्ञाम्—*Daya.*).

5. **Anṛtah**, अनृता, मानससत्यरहिताः false in thought—*Sayana*); false in speech.

Asatyah, असत्याः (false in speech, वाचिक सत्यरहितामनसा वाचाग्निमभ्रजमानाः—*Sayana*; false in behaviour, असत्याचरणाः—*Daya.*).

Idam padam ajanata gabhiram, creates the deep abyss (*Daya.*); *gabhiram padam* is अनाद्यं नरकं स्वानम्—a deep abyss of hell (*Sayana*).

6. **Sapta dhātu**, the seven elements, the seven sorts of animals ग्राम्यारण्य भेदेन सप्तप्रकारम्/सप्तग्राम्याः पशवः सप्तारण्याः—TS. VII.2.2.1). *Dayananda* interprets as the seven metals, gold etc., the Yajurveda (XVIII.13) enumerates six metals: हिरण्यं, अयः, श्यामं, तोहं, सीसं and तपु, to which silver may also be added to make seven; the Veda also refers to five tame animals: cow, horse, goat, sheep and man.

7. **Sasasya carman adhin prsneh**, above the immovable heaven or midspace (*pr̥sni*=midspace—*Daya.*). *Sasasya* is the sleeping one स्वपतः—*Daya.*).

Agre rupa arupitam jabaru, here *jabaru* (जबारु) means one who grows with speed, or who grows causing others to decay, or who grows swallowing (darkness or juice), i.e., the Sun—जबारु जवमानरोहि, जरमाणरोहि वा; जरमाणरोहीति वा, जवमानरोहीति वा—Nir.VI.17.

The Sun was placed on high in the beginning of creation (जबारु जवमानमारुढम्, i.e. the sun.—*Daya.*).

Sayana interprets तमित् as तमेव वैश्वानरं द्युस्थानम्, i.e. the *Vaisvanara*, which is fire, lightning, and the sun, all the three in three regions—अग्निविद्युदादित्यास्त्रयोऽपि मतभेदेन वैश्वानरं शब्दाभिधेयाः ।

The Nirukta (VII.23) regards the *Vaisvanara* as the sun: वैश्वानरो यतते सूर्येण (Rv.I.98.1).

9. *Maham anikam*, lit. assemblage of the great *maham* (महाम्=महताम्; here त has been dropped as the Vedic licence—*Daya.*).

This refers to the solar orb; मनीकं समूहस्त्वं सूर्यमण्डलं वैश्वानर एवेति शेषः—*Sayana*). मनीकं सैन्यमिव, an assemblage like an army (*Daya.*).

10. *Prayatasya*, assiduous (perhaps the assiduous performer, or the *Vaisvanara* active in the form of the *ahavaniya* fire and the rest (*Sayana*).

15. *Ksitir na raya puruvaro adyaut*, shines like a man with opulence (राया मयवादिघनेन, क्षितिर्न राजादिरिव—*raya*=*raja* (king); or=wealth of cattle and treasure—*Sayana*).

Hymn-6

1. ऊं पु णो=ऊं इति—सु+नः (उ वितर्के, सु सोमने, नः प्रस्माकम्) ।

Vishvam abhi asi manma, prevalent over all that is desirable (*Wilson*).

Manma, spiritual knowledge (विज्ञानम्—*Daya.*); desirable wealth of foes (मन्म मननीयं शत्रूणां धनम्—*Sayana*).

Abhi asi, thou conquerest (अभि भवसि—*Sayana*).

3. *Ghṛtaci*, night (Nigh. I.7).

4. *Trivistyaeti* goes in the sky (भाकाशे—*Daya.*, thrice circumambulates, त्रिरावृत्य—*Sayana*); cf. विष्टप् (नम इति) Nigh. I.4.

(त्रिविष्टि—त्रिरावृत्य, परि—एति, त्रिहि पर्यन्तिः क्षिपते—*Agni* goes round, having thrice returned; or *Agni* is thrice made around, implying that the fire is thrice circumambulated—*Sayana*).

7. *Na matara-pitara nu cid istau*, whose parents need not urge (*Wilson*) मया=मय=मय, after this (*Daya.*).

8. *Svasarah dvih yam panca*, ten (2×5) sisters or fingers. (द्विवारं पंचाङ्गुलयः—*Daya.*); the fingers employed in producing fire by attrition.

Usarbudham (उषर्बुधम्), to the one who is cognizant in the dawn (य उषसि बुध्यते तम्—*Daya.*; females awaking him at dawn (उषसि बुध्यमानम्—*Sayana*).

10. **Syenasah**, horses moving with the speed of hawk (श्येनः पक्षीव सद्यो गन्तारोऽयः—*Daya.*; अश्वा इव—*Sayana*).

Duvasanasah, attendants (परिचारकाः—*Daya.*; परिचरणीयाः—*Sayana*).

11. **Akari brahma**, the prayer has been composed (ब्रह्म=स्तोत्रम्; अकारि=स्माभिः कृतम्—*Sayana*); अकारि=क्रियते; ब्रह्म=महद्घनम्, collected a large sum—*Daya.*).

Hymn-7

For verses 3 and 8, see Nir. III.20 and VI.17 respectively.

1. See Yv. III.15 (according to the ritualists, *agni* here intended is the *Ahavantya* which is kindled before the *Daksina*).

Apnavanah, one having children and grand-children (पुत्रपौत्रादियुक्ताः—*Daya.*); name of a *ṛsi* or seer of the family of Bhṛgu (*Sayana*); also *putravantah*, or having children, an epithet of Bhṛgu (*Mahidhara*).

3. **Pasyanto dyamiva śṛbhīh**, looking at the sky with stars, as it were. In this phrase, stars are known to be *śṛbhīh* (स्तृभिः) since they are scattered in the sky (तीर्णनीव); *ṛksa* (ऋक्षाः) are also stars as in "they are placed on high" (Rv. I.24.10), since they appear to be raised up (उदीर्णनीव). See Nir. III.20.

4. **Dutam vivasvatah**, messenger from the sun (विवस्वान्=the sun, —*Daya.*); messenger of the man, or worshipper, or yajamana (विवस्वन्त इति मनुष्यनाम Nigh. II.8); विवस्वतः मनुष्यस्य यजमानस्य—*Sayana*.

5. **Sapta dhamabhih**,=सप्तभिः धामभिः; *Saptabhih*, by seven vital breaths—*Daya.*; सप्तभिः तेजोभिः युक्तम् accompanied by seven bright ones—*Sayana*.

6. **Vitam asritam**, loved yet unapproached (*Wilson*); वीतं व्याप्तम्; अभितं=प्रसेवितम्—*Daya*.

Kucid-arthinam, seeking oblations from any quarters; क्वचित् बहुवोऽर्पा विद्यन्ते यस्मिंस्तन्, pertaining to one, possessing great affluency —*Daya*.

Hymn-8

8. **Ati ksipreva vidhyati**, entirely obviate the removable ills (क्षिप्रेव क्षेप्याप्तेव विनाशयितुमर्हति, दुरितानीति शेषः । अतिविध्यति=प्रतिविध्यतु प्रतिशयेन नाशयतु —*Sayana*).

Duta iyase pradiva uranah—*uranah* (उरानः) means making abundant,—“from days of yore, thou art employed as a messenger, making (the small) abundant. (Nir. VI.17.)

Hymn-9

3. **Hota and pota**, two of the sixteen priests (*hotr* and *potr*); also होता=दाता donor; पोता=पवित्रकर्ता, the purifier. (*Daya*.)

4. **Uta gnah agnir adhvaryu**,—here *gna*, is *devapatni*, the wife of *deva*, as if (agni worships the wives of the gods at the sacrifice, *gna* is going; it may designate the *adhvaryu*,

ग्नाः देवपत्नीर्यजति, यच्छा भवतीत्यर्थः । ग्ना
गच्छन् पध्वर्युर्भवति । उतो अपि च सोऽग्निः —*Sayana*.

5. **Upavakta**, preceptor of preceptors (*Daya*.); the director of the ritual, i.e. the priest who pronounces the formulae of sacrifice; he is often the *Brahma* (ब्रह्मा) or the *sadasya* (सदस्य), directing what is to be done (*Wilson*).

8. See Yv. III.36.

दूतमः=दुःखमः=one which is damaged with difficulty (*Daya*).

Hymn-10

1. See Yv. XV.44.

Agne tam adva asvam, perhaps, Agni is the bearer of oblations as a horse is of burthens (बोडारमश्वमिव तथा हविषो वाहकम्—*Sayana*). The text is elliptical (*Wilson*).

2,3. See Yv. XV. 45-46.

3. भवा=भव (भव इत्यचोतस्तिष्ठ इति दीर्घः)

8. No nabhih sadane, नाभिः is the centre of gravity of body (मध्याक्षगम्—*Daya*.); नाभिः=बन्धनम्, binding or fastening; सदाने=देवानां स्थाने, in the place of gods; सस्मिन्नूधन् (*sasmin udhan*)=सर्वस्मिन् यज्ञे in every sacrifice (*Sayana*), *udhan*=प्राज्ञे, धनाज्ञे, the treasury. (*Daya*.)

Hymn-11

1. *Suryasya upake*, in the proximity of the Sun (i.e. by day).

Naktaya cit, by night.

2. *Vepasa*, by deeds of dedication, as administration etc. (*Nigh. II.1*; वेपस इति कर्म नामानि) ।

3. *Kavya*,=काव्यानि; this refers (according to *Sayana*), to the details of the fire ritual such as bringing the deities, conveying the oblations and the like. *Dayananda* interprets it as the compositions of poets and learned (कविभिर्विद्वद्भिर्निमित्तानि). In the far-fetched sense, *kavya* refers to the offerings to the Pitrs or manes (the degraded pauranic sense).

4. *Devajutah*, known or introduced by learned ones (देवैर्विदितश्चलितः—*Daya*.).

5. *Mandrajihvam*, the one with a sweet tongue (मन्द्रा घ्रानन्दजनिका जिह्वा वाणी यस्य—*Daya*.); this refers to Agni, whose tongue exhilarates the devout mortals.

Damunasam, those who restrain their desires (दमनशीलम्—*Daya*.); the humiliator of the demons (दमूतसं रक्षसां दमनकरेण मनसोपेतम्—*Sayana*). For the etymology of this term, see *Nir. IV.4*. (दमूना दममना वा । दान्तमना वा । दान्तमना वा । मनि वा दम इति गृह नाम । तन्मना स्यात् । मनो मनोवेः, i.e. one who is inclined towards kindness, or one who is inclined to charity, or one

who is inclined to self control; or else the word *dama* is a synonym of home, therefore this term may mean, one who is devoted to home. Manas is derived from $\sqrt{\text{मन्}}$, to think).

Hymn-12

2. Pusyan rayim sacate ghanan amitran, prosperous and destroying his enemies, acquires riches (*Daya.* and *Wilson*) (प्रजापिः पशुभिश्च पृष्टः सन् स यजमानः शत्रून् हिसन् धनं सेवते । सर्वदा पश्वादिघनसमृद्धो भवतीत्यर्थः—*Sayana*).

3. Br̥hatah Ksat̥triyaśya, the possessor of great strength (महत्तः बलस्य—*Sayana*; महत्तः क्षात्रधर्मसुष्ठतस्य—*Daya.*).

4. Aditch anagan, free from the defects of earth (अदितेः=मूमेः= of the earth—*Sayana*;=पृथिव्याः—*Daya.*; अनागान्=अनागतः पापरहितान्, free from sins—*Sayana*; अनपराधान्, free from guilt—*Daya.*

5. Sam yoh, शंयो, happiness produced by what is done well (सुखं सुकृताञ्जनितम्—*Daya.*; शं पापस्फोटवशात् शान्तिं योः सुकृतोत्पादितं सुखम्—*Sayana*).

6. Vītam mūc̥chata=सितां + ममुच्यत; मुच्यता=मुच्यत । Gauryam=गौरी वाचम्= Speech (Nigh. I.11),

Hymn-13

1. The verse, according to *Sayana*, is a paraphrastic announcement, that the dawn having appeared, the morning fire is to be lighted. (*Wilson*)

Asvina, a pair of wind and lightning. (*Daya.*)

2. Yat suryam divyaroḥayanti, when the rays of light cause the ascent of the sun—*Sayana*; यं सूर्यं सवितुर्लोकं दिवि आरोहयन्ति—*Daya.*

Bhanum, ray (किरणम्).

Mitra, according to *Sayana*, is the deity presiding over the day, whilst *Varuna* presides over the night.

Varuna=water; *Mitra*=air or wind (*Daya.*).

3. *Sapta yāvih*, the seven great ones (सप्त मह्यः—*Daya*.); *haritah* = horses or rays (हरितः दिस इव व्याप्ताः किरणाः, the rays pervading like directions—हरितः directions (विद्नाम—Nigh. I.6).

4. *Tantum viharan*, spreading thy web of rays (*Sayana*).

Asitam avavyayan vasma, cutting down the black abode (of night); or removing the darkness.

5. The verse is also repeated in the next hymn. (IV.14.5).

Hymn-15

1. *Pari niyate*, is obtained or procured; is brought. The word “परिणीयते” has a technical meaning also in fire rituals; it stands for bringing the fire taken from the household fire, wherewith to light the sacrificial fire.

Vaji, a strong horse (वज्रवानश्च इव—*Daya*.)—they load, as a horse bringing a load (*Wilson*).

3. See Yv. XI.25.

Parl-akramit, = परिक्राम्यति = परितः क्रामति, व्याप्नोति, taking the offerings for conveyance to gods (*Wilson*).

4. *Srjaye*, the battle in which the rival enemies are defeated (यः प्राप्ताञ्छन्नं जयति तस्मिन्—*Daya*.); *Sayana* ascribes the term to a *somayajī* (सृज्यो नाम कश्चित्सोमयाजी । सृज्यस्य यष्टृत्वं तैत्तिरीया आनन्ति—‘वसिष्ठो ह सारयह्व्यो देवभागं पप्रच्छ यत्सृज्ययान् बहुयाजिनोऽपीमजः’, *Vasistha Satyahavya* asked *Devabhaga* : when thou didst cause to sacrifice the *Srñjayas*, with many sacrificers (Tait.S. VI.6, 2.2).

For *Srñjaya*, see Rv. VI.27.7 (स सृज्याय तुवंशं परादाद्).

The *Aitareya Brahmana* (VII.34.9) refers to *Sahadeva Saranjaya* (सहदेव सारञ्जय). In later history *Srñjaya* (सृज्य) is the name of people, a clan, of which *Daivavata* was also a distinguished prince. Of course, these names are borrowed from the words originally occurring in the Vedic Texts. (For *Srñjaya*, see the Vedic Index by Macdonell and Keith).

8. **Sahadevyat**, one in company with learned people (*Daya*); from the prince, the son of Sahadeva (*Wilson*).

9. **Somakah**, one with cool and fine temper resembling *Soma* or moon (*Daya*); Son of Sahadeva of this name (सहदेवस्य पुत्रः कुमारः सोमकः सोमकानिधानः—*Sayana*).

10. **Kumaram Sahadevyam**, according to Sayana, again a reference to Somaka. A pupil in company of a learned teacher, ब्रह्मचारिणं विद्वत्सहचरम्—(*Daya*).

Hymn-16

For verse 11, see Nir. V.15.

1. **Rjisi**, straight forward policy (ऋजुनीतिः)—*Daya*; the Soma of which the essence is gone (ऋजोष शब्देन निष्पिष्टो विगतसारः सोमोऽभिधीयते—*Sayana*).

3. **Jijanat-sapta-karun ahna cit cakruh vayuna grnantah** etc.—this generates the seven efficient rays from heaven, which being glorified, have made manifest the objects of human perception by day (*Wilson*).

4. Applicable to the resplendent Lord, Indra, and the sun both.

Arkaih, by ideas or thoughts (मन्त्रैर्विचारैः—*Daya*); by rays (रश्मिभिः—*Sayana*).

Vastoh, the day (दिनम्—*Nigh.1.9*) for stay or halt (निवासाद्यम्—*Sayana*).

Dudhita=दुधितानि=दुहितानि=नाशितानि, removed, scattered.

5. **Rjisi**, =ऋजुः, made straight (*Daya*); the stale Soma, निष्पिष्टः विगतसारः सोमोऽभिधीयते—*Sayana*.

Also see III.46.3; IV.16.1; V.40.4; VI.17.2; 18.2; 24.1; VIII.90.5; X.89.5.

6. **Sakrah**, शक्रः, powerful or potent (शक्तिमान्—*Daya*); potent Indra (समर्थ इन्द्रः—*Sayana*).

The earlier references are I.10.5; 62.4; 104.8; 177.4; III.35.10; 37.11.

Gotra—गोत्राणि—the components of cloud (मेघस्थाज्जयवान्—*Daya*.; Nigh. I.10); गोत्राणि=सप्तत्रिंशत् (clouds—*Sayana*).

9. **Kavim**, to a seer, to a wise man (विद्वान्सम्—*Daya*; मेधाविनम्—*Sayana*; *Sayana* refers this epithet to Kutsa, a seer. (IV.16.10).

10. **Kutsa**, a despised person (निन्दितः—*Daya*.); mythologically, the son of Ruru (रुरु), a royal saint; Kutsa is a *Rajarsi*. For *Kutsah*, see also I.106.6; X.40.6 and for *Kutsa-putram* X.105.11. *Kutsa* has also been the name of several *ṛsis* of the Vedic hymns, one of them is the son of *Angirasa*, whilst we have another one, of this name as the son of *Arjuna*.

Sarupa vi vam cikitsat rta-cit ha nari, the truthful woman got perplexed, having seen that they were both exactly alike. The traditional mythology sees in this verse a reference to a story thus: After the destruction of the enemies of *Kutsa*, Indra conveyed him to his palace where *Saci* (शची), the wife of Indra, could not tell which was her husband, as they were both exactly alike,—of course, an absurd story.

11. **Rca vajam na gadhyam yuyusan**, the word *gadhyam* is derived from $\sqrt{\text{ग्रह}}$, to seize. "Like food which is to be seized, they desire to unite themselves with the straight-forward." (Nir.V.15).

12. **Susnam**, शुष्णम्, the earlier references are : I.11.7; 33.12; 56.3; 63.3; 101.2; 103.8; 121.9; II.14.5; 19.6; and III.31.8. (शुष्कं नीरसम्—*Daya*.).

Kuyavam, see I.103.8; 104.3; II.19.6; IV.16.12; VI.31.3 and VII.19.2 (कुत्सिता यवा गम्य तम्—*Daya*.).

13. **Mrgayam**, the one in search of a deer or animal (मृगयाचक्षानम्—*Daya*.); name of an Asura (*Sayana*).

Piprum, pervading (व्यापकम्—*Daya*.); also see I.51.1; 101.2; 103.8; II.14.5; IV.16.13; V.29.11; VI.18.8; 20.7; VIII.32.2; X.99.11; 138.3.

Pancasat kṛsna ni vapah sahasra atkam, fifty thousand kṛsnas, or fifty thousand soldiers of dark race; *atkam* is pervading air.

Purah, city; city of Sambara (शम्बर—*Sayana*).

14. **Mr̥go na hasti**, like the cervine elephant, also a sort of elephant like a deer, quoeer, if the Sivatherium existed in the time of this hymn—*Wilson*.

Ayudhani, war weapons like guns and swords. (अस्त्रि-मुमुग्दी-शतज्यादीनि—*Daya*.). Perhaps here is a reference to war-weapons, quick in darting as a deer; strong as an elephant, and fierce as a lion (*Daya*.).

15. **Svar-milhe**, स्वर्गोद्धे, here गोत्रे=battle (=संग्राम—*Nigh*.II.17); a battle for peace purposes.

Ranva sudṛsi-iva pustih, good-looking (goddess) of nutrition (रन्नीया सुष्टु द्रष्टुं योग्येव पुष्टिः—*Daya*.). *Sayana* refers to the goddess *Laksmi*.

18. **Vamadevasya**, of the good looking or charming learned person (सुरूपयुक्तस्य विदुषः—*Daya*.).

Vajasatau, in the battle (*Nigh*. II.17).

19. **Ajau**, in the battle (*Nigh*. II.17).

20. **Bhrgu**, the celebrated, or brilliant architects of chariots or cars (देदीप्यमानाः क्षित्रिनः—*Daya*.).

21. नू=नु immediate, (ऋचि तुनुषेति दीपः—*Daya*.).

Akari te brahma, a new hymn (*brahma*) has been composed for thee (*Wilson*); new treasures have been procured for thee.

Hymn-17

1. **Ksah**, क्षाः earths (भूमयः—*Daya*.; *Nigh*. I.1; क्षा=पृथिवी).

4. *Dyauh te janita manyat*, heaven, thy progenitor, conceived (*dyauh*, like lightning—*Daya.*;=*dyotaman*, bright; *janita* = Prajapati—*Sayana*).

12. *Janituh*, of the progenitor, जनकस्य—*Daya.*; Prajapati, —*Sayana*.

Stanayat-bhiih abhrih, thundering clouds, शब्दायमानैः घनैः सह—*Daya.*; घतो न जूतः etc., as the wind is driven by the thundering clouds: as the wind is impelled by thundering clouds: so Indra is influenced by the hymns of the worshippers. (*Sayana*)

14. *Etasam*=एतसम्=horse. (*Daya.*; Nigh. I.14).

Also see, I.54.6; 61.15; 121.13; 168.5, II.19.5.

15. *Asiknyam*, at night : the entire verse consists of a small phrase; such verses are known as *yajusi-pankti* (याजुषी पंक्ति) or *ekapada viraj* (एकपद विराज), a line with ten syllables.

For other single line verses, see V.41.20; 42.17; 43.16; VI.63.11 (एकपदा त्रिष्टुप्); X.20.1.

Such one-line verses usually refer to the contents of the preceding verse, or are the untraceable remnants in the *Sanhitikarana* (editing and compiling processes) of the Vedic texts.

16. *Avate*, in the well (कूपे—*Daya.*; Also *Sayana*; Nigh. III.23).

21. See the last verse of Hymn 16. नू=नु (ऋचि तुनुषेति दीर्घः—*Panini* VI.3.132).

Hymn-18

The hymn represents a dialogue between Indra and Vamadeva the higher self and the bound lower self, the *jiya*. Sayana convert this metaphysical dialogue to a mythological one. He refers to legend: *Vamadeva* a Vedic Rsi, whilst yet in the womb, was reluctant to be born in the usual manner, and resolved to come into the world through his mother's side: aware of his purpose, the mother prayed to

Aditi, who thereupon came, with her son *Indra*, to expostulate with the *Rsi*; the present hymn gives, as if, an account of this dialogue. Regarding this absurd story, *Wilson* says : "The interesting part of the absurd story is its accordance with the birth of *Sakya* (शाक्यमुनि), according to the Buddhists, who may possibly have borrowed the notion from the *Veda*."

3. *Tvastur ghe apibat somam indrah*—*Indra* drank the costly *Soma* at the residence of *Tvastre* (त्वष्टा). *Sayana* completes the story by saying that *Vamadeva* vindicates his own wilfulness by the example of *Indra*, who came to *Tvastre*'s house uninvited, and by force, drank the *Soma* prepared for other gods.

4. *Nahi nu asya pratimanam asti*, there is no analogy etc. *Wilson* cites the legend further thus : *Aditi* defends her son upon the plea that, as his period of gestation was marvellous, his actions are not to be compared with those of any others.

Sahasram masah jabhara saradah ca purvii—(सहस्रं = अक्षयम् = numerous; मासः = चैवादि, months, like *caitra*; शरदः = शरदाद्युत्तम्, seasons like autumn; पूर्वोः = सनातनो, older ones; नही—नहि).

5. *Guha akah*, does in secret cavity; also *guha* = intellect (बुद्धीकरोति—*Daya*.; गुहा गुहायां गह्वररूपे सूतिका गुहे जातं, अकाः—अकरोत्—*Sayana*); in the privacy of the lying-in chamber, unworthy of so great a divinity. —*Wilson*.

6. *Eta vi precha kim idam bhananti*—Ask them what is this they say. That is, they are proclaiming the greatness of *Indra*, by which, and not by their own efforts, they have been extricated from the cloud.

7. *Nividah*, the speeches or words, expressing mysterious and spiritual knowledge (नितरां विदन्ति यानिस्ता वाचः—*Daya*.); sacred strains (*Wilson*). [मरुत्वतो जस्त्रे प्रयुज्यमानानि 'मरुत्स्तोत्रो मरुद्गणः' इत्यादीनीन्द्रस्तुति प्रतिपादकानि कानिचित् पदानि निविच्छन्देनोच्यन्ते—i.e. the special prayers in the praise of *Indra* and *Maruts*, repeated at some sacrifices—*Sayana*]. Here again, *Vrtra*, being a *Brahmana*, the crime committed by his killing is transferred to the waters in the shape of foam. *Wilson* further remarks thus: these explanations are rather, perhaps derived from the *pauranik* developments of the original legends, imperfectly handed down.

8. This and the following verses are in the praise of Indra.

Yuvatih, the fully-matured lady of 24 years (*Daya*).

Kusava; कुपवा, of bad intentions (कुलितः मनः प्रेरणा यस्या सा). In the *pauranic* mythology, Kusava (कुपवा) is the name of a *Raksasi* (lady-demon), whom Indra, although at first swallowed by her, drove out of the lying-in chamber (*Wilson*).

Jagara, swallows (निगलति—*Daya*; निरतिस्म—*Sayana*).

Mamat cana (ममञ्चन), exulting (माञ्चयेव—*Sayana*; प्रमादयन्ती—*Daya*).

9. **Vyamsa**, one possessing considerable strength (विप्रकुण्डा ब्रह्मा बलादयो यत्न स—*Daya*). In mythology, Vyamsa is the name of a *Raksasa*, who also attempted to destroy the infant *Indra*.

12. **Kah te mataram vidhavam acakrat**, who hast made thy mother a widow (विधवां विगतो ध्रुवः पतिर्यस्यास्ताम्—*Daya*). The *Prakṛti* is mother; God, the Supreme Self, is father; *Prakṛti* never gets widowed, since God never dies.

Yat praksinah pitaram padagrhya—Since thou hast slain, having seized him by the foot; Dayananda translates *padagrhya*, as one worthy of respect, to whose feet, one might surrender. (पादान् गृहीतुं योग्यः—*Daya*; पादेषु गृहीत्वा—*Sayana*); *pra-aksinah*, प्रकृषेणावधी—*Sayana*; अक्षिणाः क्षयति हन्ति—*Daya*.) destroys, kills, slays. (See also Tait. S. VI.1.3.6 to which Sayana refers: The sacrifice (*yajna*) reflected on the gift. He had intercourse with her. Indra perceived this and reflected. 'He who will be born from this union will be this world.' He entered her; from her verily Indra was born; he reflected, 'He who hence other than I will be born will be this world'. Stroking her womb, he split it, she became barren after birth, and that is the 'origin' of the cow(who is barren after birth).

13. **Manu**, refers to a legend; Vamadeva, when oppressed with hunger, took for his meals the flesh of dogs, but who was not thus rendered impure; this he did for the preservation of his life. (*Manu* X.106).

Hymn-19

1. एवा=एव (निपातस्वचेति दीर्घः) ।

Umah, ऊमाः, those who give protection and shelter; the protecting ones (ऊमाः रक्षकाः—*Sayana*; रक्षणादि कर्तारः—*Daya*).

2 **Parisayanam**, slumbering: one who sleeps in the interspace from all sides (योऽन्तरिक्षे सर्वतः शेते तम्—*Daya*; परितः समस्तात् शयनं कुर्वन्तम्—*Sayana*).

Visvadhanah, one comprising all speeches (धेना=वाक्—*Nigh.I.11*); all delighting (विश्वस्य प्राणवित्तोः—*Sayana*).

Arnah, water (उदक, *Nigh. I.12*); water channels.

3. **Aparvan**, at the time without parva; on the day of full moon (अपर्वन् अपर्वणि पौर्णमास्याम्—*Sayana*).

Sapta, seven (*Daya*.); of gliding nature (सर्पणस्वभावाः—*Sayana*).

4. **Parvatanam**, of clouds (*Daya*.; *Nigh. I.10*); of hills (*Sayana*).

6. **Turviti**, see I.36.18; 54.6; 61.11; 112.23; II.13.12; IV.19.6.

Vayya, see I.54.6; 112.6; II 3.6; 13.12; IV.19.6; IX.68 8.

7. **Adhok staryo dansupatnih**, he has milked the barren cows (*Wilson*); अधोक् अधुधत्; स्तयः स्तरीनिवृत् प्रसवा गाः; दंसुपत्नीः दमनपरा धत्तुराः सुधुपतयो यासां ताः—*Sayana*); he has removed the barrenness occasioned by the grief of their separation by rescuing the cattle carried off by the Pani—*Wilson*). (दंसुपत्नीः—workers' wives, दंसूनां कर्मकस्तूनां पत्न्यः, स्तयः the coverer, प्राच्छादिकाः; अधोक् to complete, प्रायात्—*Daya*.).

9. **Vamribhiih**, (वम्नीभिः and *upajihvikah*, उपजिह्विका.) are synonyms of emmet. *Vamryah* (emmetts) are so called from vomiting (वमनात्); here in this verse, we have "unmarried maidens have taken the undivided son from emmets (वम्नीभिः पुत्रमपुत्रो वदानम्)—*Nir. III.20*. To *Sayana*, *Vamri* is white ant, which throws up a hillock known as *Valmika* (निवेशनात् वल्मीकाभ्यात्—*Sayana*).

Agruvah.—rivers (नद्यः—*Daya*.; Nigh. I.13). Son of Agru, some one unknown (अग्रूनाम काचित् । तस्याः पुत्रम्—*Sayana*).

Ahim, serpent, (the presence of a snake in an ant-hill is a popular notion—*Wilson*).

Nirbhut, coming out of the ant-hill (निर्भूत् वल्मीकान् निर्गतः समूत—*Sayana*; निः भूत् भवति—*Daya*.).

Ukhacchit, corroded by white ants (उखच्छित् वल्मीकाद्याया उखायान्छेदकानि—*Sayana*; one who damages or corrodes the path way, य उखञ्ज मनञ्छिनति सः—*Daya*).

11. Same as IV.17.21.

Hymn-20

Compare the verses 1 and 2 with Yv.XX.48 and 49.

1. **Ojisthebbih**, with an army or team consisting of strong and sturdy people (प्रतिशयेन बलादिगुणयुक्तैर्नरोत्तम सैन्यैः—*Daya*.); with the gallant Maruts—ओजिष्ठेभिः प्रतिशयेन तेजस्विभिः मरुद्भिर्युक्तैः—*Sayana*.

2. **Vajasatau**, in the battle (संग्रामे—*Daya*.).

4. **Prsthyena**, with the pleasure derived subsequently (पश्चाद्भवेन सुखेन—*Daya*.; with the noon-day hymn (पृष्ठ शब्देन माध्यंदिन सवने उद्गातृभिर्दुग्धेयमानं स्तोत्रमुच्यते, तत्सम्बन्धिना—*Sayana*).

Andhasa, with food etc. (अन्नाद्येन—*Daya*.; पीतेन सोमेन—*Sayana*).

5. मच्छा = मच्छ ।

9. **Vrajam**, to a group (समूहम्—*Sayana*); arms and weapons (शस्त्रास्त्रम्—*Daya*.).

11. Same as IV.7.21.

Hymn-21

1. The verse occurs as Yv.XX.47. Dyauh, the Sun.

Tavisih, energies, energetic armies (बलशुक्ताः सेनाः—*Daya.*).

Sadhmat astu, be exhilarated along with us (अस्मानिः सह माद्यन् भवतु—*Sayana*; समानस्त्वानात् यस्तह माद्यति अस्तु—*Daya.*).

2. Krstih, people of the enemies (शत्रु सम्बन्धिनी प्रजाः—*Sayana*; people in general, मनुष्याः—*Daya.*).

Vrsnyani, nṛn, वृष्णानि नृन् powerful leaders (वलेषु साधूनि नायकान्—*Daya.*); might refer to Maruts also.

3. Purisat, from waters (पुरीष=उदक, Nigh.I.12).

Samudrat, from the mid-space (समुद्र=मन्तरिक्ष—Nigh. I.3).

5. Vacam janayan yajadhyai, utters a voice enjoining me to sacrifice or for unifying functions (सुनिधितां वाणीं प्रकटयन् यष्टुं सङ्गन्तुम्—*Daya*); (The speech of Indra is the thunder, the effect of which is to induce the *parens deorum cultor et infrequens*, whether Roman or Hindu, *retorsum vela dare*—*Wilson*).

6. Ausijasya, of the worshippers; one who employs priests (कामयमाना ऋत्विजाः—*Sayana*); sons of the aspiring ones (कामयमानाज्यत्पस्य—*Daya.*).

Gohe, in the dwelling (संवर्णीये गृहे—*Daya.*).

Adrim, like a cloud (*Daya.*); one who tears foes, from *dr*, to divide, to tear, and thus it is a name of Indra also (अद्रिम—आद्गानि शत्रून् इत्याद्रिरिन्द्रः—*Sayana*).

7. Bharvarasaya, भावरस्य, of the king who serves the people (प्रजाः भूर्तृराजः—*Daya*); भवर्, Prajapati, who is the sustainer of the world, भवर्षो जगद्भर्ता प्रजापतिः, तस्य पुत्रो भावरः—*Sayana*).

Guha pra (गुहा प्र), *guha*, in intellect (बुद्धी—*Daya.*); in the secret thoughts (गुहायां गुहास्थे हृदये—*Sayana*).

The purport of the verse is that Indra, the resplendent Lord, always protects his worshippers (इन्द्रस्य बलं यजमानं सर्वदा पालयतीत्यर्थः—*Sayana*).

8. *Vidad gaurasya gavayasya gohe*, he finds it in the haunt of *Gaura* and *Gavaya*, the two species of deer or any wild animal (*Sayana*); they may be two different wild animals;—*gavaya* is *Bos gavaeus* or *Gavaeus frontalis*, and *gaura* is *Bibos gaurus*, or *B. cavifrons* (*Wilson*).

10. *Varivah purve kah*; here *puravah*=man (Nigh.II.3). (पूरवे—घामिकाय मनुष्याय, वरिवः—सेवनम्; कः—कुस्यः—*Daya*.); bestows riches on men (पूरवे मनुष्याय यजमानाय, वरिवः धनं कः करोति—*Sayana*).

11. Same as IV.16.21; 17.21; 19.11; 20.11; 21.11; 22.11; 23.11; and 24.11.

Hymn-22

1. This verse gives rise to the four-fold forms of offering worship, since in it occurs the four words *brahna* (ब्रह्म), *stomam* (स्तोमं), *somam* (सोमं) and *uktha* (उक्था). In the first form of ritual, the offerings are of cakes steeped in butter and the like (ब्रह्मचित् हविर्लक्षणं पुरोडाशादिकमन्नं च); in the second form, it is the praise that is recited aloud (स्तोमं स्तोत्रं समूहं); in the third, the libations are of the Soma juice (सोमम्, अग्निवृत्तं सोमं च); and in the fourth, the praise or prayer is repeated silently in a lower tone (उक्था, उक्त्यानि शस्त्राणि च) —*Sayana*.

Dayananda translates the terms as ब्रह्म, महद् धनमन्नं वा, wealth consisting of foodgrains in plenty, etc.; स्तोमं प्रशंसनीयं or worthy of praise; सोमं, औषध्यादि गणैश्चर्यं, medicinal herbs and other prosperity; and उक्था, प्रशंसनीयानि वस्तूनि, rich and adorable products.

2. *Urnam parusnim*, the investing parusni (ऊर्णा, प्राच्छादिका; परुष्णीं पर्ववतीं नदीं—*Sayana*; परुष्णीं विभागवतीं—*Daya*.). The verse devotes to a river and a troop of a battles too. The river having joints or bands covering.

Yasyah parvani sakhyaya vivye—*lit.*, whose joints through friendship he has approached; according to *Sayana*, the separate districts of which river he has, for the sake of friendly acts, covered or concealed, यस्याः नद्याः पर्वानि मिलितान् देशान् सख्याय सखि कर्मणे विध्ये संयुक्तवान्—*Sayana*.

According to Dayananda, (पर्वणि पूर्वाणि पातनानि सख्याय मित्रस्य भावाय कर्मणे वा दिव्ये कामयते ।)

4. *Matara bharati goh*, मातर=parents; गोः=earth (*Daya.*); parents of the moving Sun (Sayana translates *goh* as गन्तुः सूर्यस्य i.e. of the moving Sun).

Paaljiman, one pervading all along in the mid-space, or the extensive earth (since जमा = earth, Nigh.I.1) (सर्वतो व्याप्तेऽन्तरिक्षे विस्तृतायां भूमौ वा—*Daya.*).

6. वृ = वृ, again.

7. *Svasarah*, fingers, संसृत्य हव मैत्रीं मग्नित्वमाचरन्त्यः—*Daya.* For *Svasarah*, the earlier references are I.62.10; 71.1; 164.3; 191.14; II.5.5; III.29.13; and IV.6.8.

8. *Yamyah*, the nights (Nigh.I.7).

Goh, for the one who praises (स्तावकस्य Nigh. III.16). *Sami* (शमी), a superb action (उत्तमं कर्म—*Daya.*); (शशमानस्य शमीशक्तिः—स्तुवतः शमनं स्तुतिकर्म—*Sayana*).

10. *Godah*, one who gives cows (यो गां घेनू ददाति सः—*Daya.*).

Hymn-23

For verse 8, see Nir. X.41.

1. *Andhah*, foodgrains or food (पन्नम्—*Daya.*; Nigh.II.7).

2. *Sasamanasya*, one who glorifies (प्रशंसितस्य—*Daya.*).

3. *Papurim*, to the one who protects and sustains (पालकम्—*Daya.*).

4. *Nasadah*, one who does not know (यो न वेत्ति सः—*Daya.*).

Appreciator, one who profusely knows (प्रतिषयेन ज्ञाता—*Sayana*).

6. **Goh**, of the moving Indra (गन्तुरिन्द्रस्य—*Sayana*); of earth etc. (पृथिव्यादेः—*Daya*).

7. **Tetikta**, sharpened (भृशं तीक्ष्णं करोति—*Daya*).

Tigma, already sharp (पूर्वमेव तीक्ष्णानि—*Sayana*).

Anika=अनीकानि = weapons (आयुधानि—*Sayana*); invincible armies (सन्तुभिः प्राप्तुमनर्हानि सैन्यानि—*Daya*).

Druham jighansan dhvarasam anindram, Resolving to kill the oppressing malevolent (wicked), not acknowledging Indra (*Wilson*). (द्रुहं—द्रोघारं; जिघांसन्—हस्तुमिच्छन्; ध्वरसं—हिसकं; अनिन्द्रां—अनीश्वरं गति, ungodly ways—*Daya*). *Sayana* supplies the word *raksatim* (राक्षसी). This may well refer to death, the debt of nature, the payment of what Indra's favour delays by prolonging life; (a conjecture proposed by *Wilson*).

8. **Rta**, truth, eternal truth (different from *satya*), sacrifice, and also water (Nigh. I.12); in this verse, according to *Sayana*, it may refer to *Indra* or *Aditya*, in addition to the former three, personified as divinities (यत्र ऋत शब्देनेन्द्रो वादित्यो वा सत्यं वा यज्ञो बोध्यते; ऋतस्य ऋतदेवस्य सम्बन्धिभ्यः; ऋतस्य धीतिः—ऋतदेवस्य सम्बन्धिनी प्रज्ञा, तद्विषया स्तुतिर्वा—*Sayana*).

According to *Dayananda*, ऋतस्य of truth, of what is real and exact, सत्यस्य यथाचंस्य, धीतिः धारणावती प्रज्ञा ।

"Of *Rta*, indeed, are the earlier invigorating draughts. Contem-
plation of *Rta* kills vices. The call of *Rta* awakening and illuminating,
pierced even the deaf ears of the living being.—Of *Rta*, indeed, are
the earlier invigorating draughts, consciousness of *Rta* kills all that
should be avoided. The call of *Rta* pierces the ears of even the deaf.
Deaf whose ears are closed. Causing to wake and making bright the
ears of the living being, of the moving being, of man of light, or of
water."—*Nir.X.41*.

Hymn-24

1. सुष्टुतिः=सुस्तुतिः; निषिघां=निःसिघाम् ।

2. *Saiyaradhah*, wealth earned through honesty and earnestness (योगोपाजित सत्यधनः—*Daya.*); the gift given by the *yajamana* (यजमानेष्वो दातुं सत्यधनो भवति—*Sayana*).

3. *Ririkvansah tanvah krovata tram*, by purging, cleansing the body (रिरिक्वांसः—रेचनङ्कारयन्तः, तन्वः कृष्वतः, शरीरस्य कुक्षत रक्षकं—*Daya.*); inflictors of austerity upon their persons (तन्वः स्वकीयानि शरीराणि रिरिक्वांसः तपसा रेचयन्तो यजमानास्तमेवेन्द्रं त्रां ज्ञातारं—*Sayana*); worshippers emaciating their own bodies by penance.

Samike, in a battle; in a group (Nigh.II.17).

8. *Dirgham yat ajim abhi-akhyat aryah*, when the Lord is engaged in the long battle.

Aryam, king, lord, God, (for Indra—*Sayana*).

Samaryam, in a battle (सहमर्त्यं यजुं—*Sayana*; *ajim*, a battle in which weapons are thrown, भजन्ति प्रक्षिपन्ति शस्त्राण्यस्मिन्—*Daya.*).

Rghava, the killer of enemies, i.e. Indra (शत्रूणां हन्ता—*Daya.*; शत्रूणां हित्क इन्द्रः—*Sayana*).

Durone, in the house; the place of sacrifice (यज्ञगृहे—*Sayana*).

9. *Bhuyasa vasnam acarat kaniyah*, by much a man acquires little, wealth or value (सः विक्रेता पुनर्मूल्यं भूयसां न प्रपूरयेत् । सः विक्रेता भूयसा धनेन कनीयः घल्पतरं मूल्यं नारिरेचीत् क्लृप्तुः सकाशान् रिक्तीकरोति—*Sayana*). *Sayana*, here in this context, gives the details of a bargain between the vendor or seller and customer or buyer. The verse IV is also interpreted on the same lines.

Hymn-25

3. *Jyotir*, light; also water (ज्योतिः प्रकाशं—*Daya.*; ज्योतिः उदकं च—*Sayana*).

4. *Jyok pasyat suryam ut-carantam*, and long behold the rising Sun.

Jyok, for a long or continuous tune (ज्योक् निरन्तरं—*Daya.*).

Sarma, शर्म, pleasure as that of home (शर्म=गृह, Nigh.II.4).

6. **Prasusat**, प्रासुषाद्, the prompt comforter of foes (सायनां प्रकर्षेण शीघ्रमपि भविता—*Sayana*; यः प्राशून् वेगवत्तश्नतून् सहते—*Daya*).

Supravyah, one who is to be approached with homage etc. (सुष्ठु उपगच्छतो हविभिः सुष्ठु प्रतर्पयितुर्वा—*Sayana*); one who is protected with care (सुष्ठु रक्षितुं योग्यः—*Daya*).

Duspravyah, one approached with difficulty (दुष्प्राप्यः दुःखेन प्रावितुं योग्यः—*Daya*; दुष्पगमनस्य—*Sayana*)

7. **Nagnam**, worthless, shameless (निरर्थकं—*Sayana*; निर्लज्जं—*Daya*).

Hymn-26

For verse 7, see Nir. XI.2.

1. **Manuh**, a thoughtful learned man, मननशीलो विद्वानिव सर्वविद्या विज्ञापकः—*Daya*; मनुरभवं सर्वस्य मन्ता प्रजापतिरस्मि—*Sayana*.

Suryah, enlightened like the sun, सूर्य इव सर्वप्रकाशकः—*Daya*; सर्वस्य प्रेरकः सविता—*Sayana*.

Viprah, wise, मेधावी—*Sayana*; मेधावीव सर्ववेत्ता—*Daya*.

Kaksivan ṛsih, one in which the orbits of entire creation exist, सर्वसृष्टिकक्षा विद्यन्ते यस्मिन्मत्तः—*Daya*; son of Dirghatamas, दीर्घतमसः पुत्र—*Sayana*.

Kutsam, adamantite or vajra-like, वज्र—*Daya*., Nigh.II.20; a *Rsi* of this name—*Sayana*.

Arjuneyam, created or invented by a learned, अर्जुनेनार्जुना विदुषा निष्पादितमिव—*Daya*; son of Arjuni, i.e. Kutsa, अर्जुन्याः पुत्रम्—*Sayana*.

Ushana, loved by all, serviceable to all, सर्वहितं कामयमानः—*Daya*., a *Rsi* of this name—*Sayana*.

Kaviḥ, the farseeing, ज्ञानतदर्थी—*Sayana*; expert in all disciplines of knowledge, सर्वशास्त्रविद् विद्वान्—*Daya*.

3. **Sambara**, सम्बरः, see references, I.51.6; 54.4; 59.6; 101.2; 103.8; 112.14; 130.7; II.12.11; 14.6; 19.6; 24.2; IV.26.3; 30.4; VI.18.8; 26.5; 31.4; 43.1; 47.2; 47.21; VII.18.20; 99.5; IX.61.2.

Divodasa, see references, I.112.14; 116.18; 119.4; 130.7; 130.10; II.19.6; IV.26.3; 30.2; VI.16.5; 16.19; 26.5; 31.4; 43.1; 47.22; 23; 61.1; VII.18.25; IX.61.2.

Atithigva, one who receives and honours guests (मतिषिन्वन्, योऽतिथीन् गच्छति गमयति वा तम्—*Daya*.; मतिषीनामभिगन्तारं—*Sayana*).

4. **Acakraya yat svadhaya**, with a wheelless car.

Suparnah havyam—according to *Sayana*, this is a metonymy for the *Soma*, which is said to have been brought from heaven by the *Gayatri* in the form of a hawk (*Suparna*); again the hawk is the Supreme Spirit or *para-brahma* (the conjecture of a later period).

Hymn-27

1. The verse refers to the cycles of births and deaths of the lower self, the soul in bondage. The *udana* vital breath takes out the soul from one body with an infinite speed and carries it to another body, where the soul is reborn. Every individual amongst us is the *vamadeva*, who enters into the womb and comes forth in the form of a hawk. A hundred bodies of metal (iron or gold, स्ववर्णमयीसौहृमयीर्वा—*Daya*.) provide us the bondage in the life cycle. It is through the acquirement of divine knowledge, through a series of repeated births, one gets the final release or emancipation, the *Mukti* or the *Moksa*.

2. वा=व (अचि तुनुवन्ति वीर्यं—*Panini* VI.3.132, स वा=he alone.

Irma, ईर्मा = impeller (वेरकः—*Daya*.); the *Paramatman* or the Supreme Self.

Puraandhib, the sustainer of all (पुरां धारकः—*Sayana*, बहुधरः—*Daya*., i.e. the *Paramatman*).

Vatan atarat, goes beyond the winds, beyond the vital breaths. The vital airs are the cause of pain and worldly existence (वातान् गन्धर्वेष्व-करान् वायून् भवतस्त्व-मतासेत्—*Sayana*).

3. **Adha yat Syenah dyaauh ava asvanit**, just as or when the hawk screams on his descent from heaven. *Sayana* refers to a parable narrated in the *Aitareya Brahmana* (III.26); Gods requested the *Gayatri* to fetch the Soma, the elixir of life; she flew to heaven in the form of a hawk. She in this form, having flown and having terrified the guardians of the Soma (सोमपालाः), grasped with foot and mouth Soma the king, and also grasped the syllables which the other two metres had dropped. Having shot at her, *Krsanu* (कृशानु), a Soma guardian, cut off the nail of her left foot; that became a porcupine, which is nail-like. The fat that flowed became the barren cow; the socket and the point became a serpent; from the swiftness came the viper; the feathers became flying foxes; the sinews earth-worms; the shaft the blind snake. It is not possible here to expound the beautiful parable. (See also the verse 4, *patat patatri asya parnam*.)

Veh, (वेः), birds (पक्षिणः—*Daya*).

4. **Bhujyumna**, like the one enjoying (भोक्तारं—*Daya*.) as the *asvins* carried off *Bhujyu*, a king of this name, from the region of Indra. The earlier references to *Bhujyu* are: I.112.6; 20; 116.3-5; 117.14; 119.4; and also VI.62.6; VII.68.7; 69.7; VIII.22.2; 46.20; X.40.7; 65.12; 95.8; 106.4; 143.5.

5. **Sukram**, water (Nigh. I.12).

Hymn-28

2. **Visva-ayu apa dhayi**, the everywhere going wheel has been taken away (सर्वतो गन्तुचक्रमिन्द्रेणापाहारि—*Sayana*; अप सर्वमायुः ध्रियते—*Daya*).

Mahahdruhah, of the great oppressor, enemy or tyrant, the evilmonger (महत् द्वेषुः—*Daya*; प्रभूतस्य द्रोघः सूर्यस्य धन्वन्धि—*Sayana*).

3. **Dasyun**, them, who are of great treachery (महासाहसिकान्, दुष्टान्—*Daya*).

Durge=दुर्गे, in a place difficult of access.

Durge durone, in a place which is dangerous and difficult of access.

For *Dasyum*, see also I.63.4; 78.4; 100.18; 101.5; II.11.19; 13.9; 20.8; III.29.9; 34.6; 9; IV.16.12; 28.3; 4.

4. **Visah dasih akrnoh a prasastah**, you have made the servile races abject (*Wilson*).

Dasih, the liberal givers (दानशीलाः—*Daya*.); having no special or religiously instituted rites or functions (i.e. may be slave or servile) (कर्महीनाः—*Sayana*); **visah**, people (प्रजाः—*Daya*., मानुषी प्रजा—*Sayana*); **aprasastah**, debarred from respectable position (प्रचस्त सुखरहिताः—*Daya*., गहिता, reviled, vile—*Sayana*).

Hymn-29

1. **Haribhih**, by excellent brave people (उत्तमैर्वीरपुरुषैः—*Daya*.; by horses, अश्वैः—*Sayana*).

Tirascit, come, attained (तिरः सत इति प्राप्तस्य—*Nir.* III.20; तिरश्चि दयंया परि० V.75.7).—*Tiras* and *satas* are synonyms of *attained*. *Tiras*, i.e. it has crossed over ($\sqrt{\text{त्}}$); *satas*, it is moved together ($\sqrt{\text{त्}}$).

2. ष्या = स्म

3. **Sutirtha**, the holy places (शोभनानि तीर्थानि; दुःखतारकाभ्याचार्यं ब्रह्मचर्यं सत्यमाषणादीनि येषास्तान्—*Daya*.;—any thing even a person, or a way of life that takes us away from pains, miseries or sins is a *tirtha*.

5. **Bhajanasah bṛhad-divasya rayah a-kayyasya davane puruksoh**—According to *Sayana*, may we be enjoying thee for the same of the gift of wealth of much food, every way commendable and very brilliant (वयं महद्दीप्ते प्राकायस्य भ्रातृमन्तात् स्तुत्यस्य पुरुषोः बहवन्नस्य बहुकीर्तौ वा ते त्वदीयस्य दावने दाने निमित्ते सति भोजनासः त्वां भजमानाः स्वाम भवेम—*Sayana*).

Hymn-30

For verses 10, 11 and 24, see *Nir.* XI.47, XI.48 and VI.31 respectively.

Indra in these verses is resplendent Lord or the Sun also, and *vrtra*, is the cloud, or wicked nescience in man. Dayananda refers this hymn to an ideal head of a State, i.e. a king.

1. एवा = एव (निपातस्य चेति शेषः) ।

6. *Sacibhih*, by intelligence; by actions (प्रज्ञानिः कर्मभिर्वा—*Daya.*); by war-actions (युद्धकर्मभिः—*Sayana*).

Etasam, एतच्च, a learned man, a man strong as a horse, name of a rsi (*Sayana*).

8. *Duhitaram divah*, the daughter of the sun, i.e. the dawn (दुहितरनिव वर्तमानामृषसम्—*Daya.*; पुलोक सकाशादुत्पन्नां स्त्रियं उषसम्—*Sayana*). The dawn is extinguished by the ascendancy of Indra (i.e. the sun) through the day.

10. "Being afraid, *usas* has fled from the shattered car, because the strong bull (वृषा) has struck it down."—Being afraid, *usas* has fled from the shattered car, i.e. the cloud. (*Anas* (पञ्च) means wind, derived from the verb $\sqrt{\text{पञ्}$, to breathe). Or else, it may be for the sake of comparison, i.e., as if from the car. *Anas* means a car, because rags are tied to (घातः) it, or it may be derived from the verb $\sqrt{\text{पञ्}}$, meaning to live; it is a means of livelihood for people.

Cloud is called *anas* from the same verb also. Because the strong bull, the rainer, the showerer, i.e. the atmospheric god, has struck it down. (Nir. XI.47).

11. In continuation of the verse we have this verse :

"Here lies her car, shattered and all broken in pieces. She has fled afar."—Here lies her car, shattered in such a manner as if it were a different car altogether. Broken into pieces, i.e. without a single connected piece. Dawn has fled afar, being pushed out, or being pursued (Nir.XI.48).

12. *Sindhum vibalyam vitasthanam adhi ksami*, the swollen Sindhu when arrested, you have spread on earth. (अग्निः=on the earth, Nigh.I.1). Sindhu is a river in general, (विबाल्यम्—विगतबाल्यावस्थां i.e. whose

youth was passed, संपूर्णं जत्तां, i.e. who was full of water—*Sayana*; वित्तस्यानां-वित्तिष्ठमानां, i.e. stopping or being stopped.

16. *Ukthesu abhajāt*, उक्तेषु स्तोत्रेषु, भग्नजत् भाविने कृतवान्, participant in sacred hymns, see IV.19.9—वन्नीभिः पुनमद्भुजः ।

Satakratuh, Indra, the one whose actions are cent per cent for the sake of others, or the one of hundred actions (शतकर्मा—*Sayana*); the one of innumerable intellects (असंख्यं प्रज्ञा—*Daya*.).

Paravyktam, indefatigable valour (अश्लिन्नवीर्यम्—*Daya*.; but a person of this name—*Sayana*).

Agruvah putram, son of *Agru* (*Sayana*); persons who are in front rank (अग्रसरा—*Sayana*). See also IV.19.9.

For *Agruvah*, also see I.140.8; 191.14; III.29.13; IV.19.7; 9; 30.16; VII.2.5; IX.1.8; 66.9. For *Agruh* V.44.7.

17. *Turvasayadu*, तुर्वशस् and यदु, तुर्वशा=man (Nigh. II.3), one who easily brings into control; यदु=active, and ever diligent (तुर्वशायदु—शोधं वशंकरो यत्नवान्च तो मनुष्यो—*Daya*.).

For *Turvasah*, see earlier references I.36.18; 47.7; 54.6; 108.8; 174.9; and for *Yadu*, I.36.18; 54.6; 108.8; 174.9 and also VI.20.12; 45.1; VIII.4.7; 7.18; IX.61.2; X.49.8; 62.10.

Asnatara, अस्नातारा, those who are not particular about daily baths and the like (स्नानाधिकमरहितो—*Daya*.; but those who were under the spell of the curse of *Yayati*, according to mythology (ययातिशापादननिषिक्तो—*Sayana*).

He made them worthy to be inaugurated, or crowned, which they were not at first (this refers, according to *Sayana*, to a myth, alluding to their exclusion from the succession in favour of the youngest son, *Puru*, by their father *Yayati*).

20. *Asman-mayinam puram*, of the cities built up of stones, resembling cluster of clouds (मेघप्रचुरारागमिव पाषाण-निमित्तानां नगराणां—*Daya*.). *Sayana* refers to the cities of *Sambara*, पुरां सम्बरस्य सम्बन्धिनां नगराणाम् ।

Divodasaya, one who serves light, or who favours enlightenment (प्रकाशस्य सेवकाय—*Daya*). In later mythology, the name of a king. See earlier references, I.116.18; 119.4; 130.7, II.19.6; etc.

21. **Sahasra and trimsatam**, thousands and thirty.

Mayaya, by wisdom (प्रज्ञया—*Daya*.); by ones own strength (स्वकीयया शक्तया—*Sayana*).

24. "May god *Aryaman* (Lord of Justice) give you all fair and beautiful things. O destroyer (of enemies), may *Pusa-Bhaga* and the god having gaps in his teeth give you all fair and beautiful things."

Fair (वामं वमनीयं) is so called because it is to be won. Destroyer (पादुरि) is so called from destroying (भादरणात्). But who is the god who has gaps in his teeth? According to some, it is an epithet of *Bhaga* who comes before it. According to others, this god is *Pusan* because he has no teeth. *Pusa* is without teeth, and an eater of gruel, says a Brahmana passage (अदन्तकः पूषा Kausitaki Brahmana, VI.13; also SBr. I.VII.4.6). See Nir. VI.31.

Hymn-31

1. **Sacisthaya**, by the excellent thoughts, words or deeds (बतितथयेन श्रेष्ठया वाचा प्रज्ञया कर्मणा वा—*Daya*.; प्रज्ञावत्तमया प्रज्ञासहितमनुष्ठीयमानेन—*Sayana*).

Uti, ऊती, pertaining to care and protection (रक्षणादिक्रिया सह—*Daya*., तपणेत—*Sayana*).

See also Yv. XXVII.39; Av. XX.124.1;

2 and 3. See Yv. XXVII, 40; 41; Av. XX.124.2; 3.

4. ग्रभी = ग्रभि (संहितायामिति दीर्घः)

Carsaninam, of men; of people.

9. ञ्मा = स्म (निपातस्य चेति दीर्घः)

11. इहा = इह (संहितायामिति दीर्घः)

13. अया = आय (निपातस्य षेति वीचः)

14. Asvayuh, with the strength of several horses (बहुवयस बलशुक्तः—*Daya.*).

15. Varsistham, वषिष्ठं, of very old age (प्रतिशयेन वृद्धं—*Daya.*).

The verses of this hymn are relevant in relation to mighty Sun, who is also known as Maghavan, Surya and Indra, and also equally relevant in relation to our resplendent Lord.

Hymn-32

For verse 23, see Nir. IV.15.

1. Asmakam ardhham, near us (समीपं—*Sayana*) for our growth (वर्धनं—*Daya.*); ardhham (अर्धं) may also mean dwelling place (निवासदेशं) or half of worship (देव्यस्तदेशं—*Mahidhara*). See Yv. XXXIII.65. 9 and 12. Gotamah, [go=speech (Nigh. I.11)], the supermasters of speech (प्रवृत्तानामोर्वाग्मिषते येषान्ते—*Daya.*). A scer of this name—*Sayana*.

15. Hari, हरी—two horses or the pair of fire and water (प्रनिजले वायवौ वा—*Daya.*).

16. Purodasam, a special food preparation (पुरोडाशं सुसंस्कृतान्न विशेषं—*Daya.*). For this, see I.162.3; III.28.1; 3-6, 41.3; 52.2-6; 8; IV.24.5; 32:16; VI.23.7; VIII.2.11; 31.2; 78.1.

23. "Like two small dolls (कनौनकेद) on their newly-wrought, perforated, wooden seats the bay steeds shine on their courses."—Two dolls, two young maidens : कनौनके कन्ये । कन्या कमनीया भवति क्वेयं नेतव्येति वा (कमनेनानीयत इति वा) कन्येर्वा स्यात् कान्तिकर्मणः, *Kanya* (maiden) is so called because she is an object of love (कमनीया) or because it is said to whom should her hand be given, or because she is brought by the lover, or it may be derived from the root $\sqrt{\text{कन्}}$, to shine. "The words relating to the seats of the maidens are in the locative singular (सप्तमी एकवचन)," says Sakapuni, i.e. on the ornamental wooden seats.

Daru (दरु, wood) is derived from √दृ, dṛ (to split), or from दृ, to injure.

Dru (wood) is derived from the same root also.

Nave (नवे) newly made; *arbhake*, small, not large. As they shine on their sheets, so the bay steeds shine on their courses. This is a joint panegyric of two bay steeds

(This probably refers to a stage on which puppets are exhibited—*Wilson*).

Hymn-33

Rbhus are the *devatas* of hymns 33 to 37 *Vaja* (वाज), *rbhu* (ऋभु) and *vibhu* (विभु) are the three classes of divine architects, pertaining to regions of land, space and water. They design and supervise the means of transports of these three regions in human social organization. They are thus the technicians. For this, see IV.33 9: वरुणस्य विभ्वा (i.e. *vibhvan* of *Varuna*, i.e. the architect pertaining to the water region); इन्द्रस्य ऋभुता (i.e. *ribhuksin* of *Indra*, i.e. the architect pertaining to the space) and thirdly, वाजो देवानां (i.e. *vaja*, the artificer of the rest of gods, particularly on land, or the architect pertaining to land). *Rbhu* in the *Nighantu* means the man of wisdom (III.15).

1. **Pari dyam sadyah apasah babhuvuh**—were born quickly across the firmament. This might refer to the sun's rays also.

Evaih (एवै) by the fast moving horses (गमनशीलैरश्वैः—*Sayana*); fast moving projectiles or weapons (वायुप्रेरितास्त सरेष्वादि पदार्थाः—*Daya*.); fast moving vehicles.

3. **Vajah vibhva rbhuh**, the three categories of architects, of the land (वाज), of the waters or river-ways (विभु) and of the space (ऋभु). Literally, *vajah* is learned (ज्ञानवान्), *vibhva*, means by the one who is pervading (विभुना ज्ञानेन जगदीश्वरेण—*Daya*., and *rbhuh* means enlightened (विद्वान्). According to *Sayana*, the three sons of *Sudhanvana Angirasa* were *Vaja*, *Vibhavan* and *Rbhu* (ते वाजो विभ्वा ऋभुः च एतन्नामवास्तव्यः सुधन्वन आङ्गिरसस्य पुत्राऽभवन्). All the three were known *Rbhus* in general.

5. The eldest (Rbhu) wanted to make two ladles whilst the younger (Vibhvan) three, and the youngest (Vajah) wanted to have four. See also I.161.2 for एकचमसं चतुरः कृपातन । The whole hymn I.161 is devoted to Rbhus. The present hymn should also be read and interpreted on the same lines. See also the next verse (IV.33.6).

Tvastr is head technician who has applauded the proposal of the Rbhus for the construction of four ladles.

6. **Tvastr**, beholding the four ladles, brilliant as day, was content.

11. **Na rte srantasya sakhyaya devah**, gods are not pleased through friendship alone, unless one is wearied by penance.

Hymn-34

For verse 3, see Nir. VI.16.

The hymn again begins with Rbhu, Vibhvan and Vaja along with Indra. On the spiritual plane, Rbhu dominates on the mental realm (मनोमय कोश), the technicians of space; Vibhvan on the emotional plane (or प्राणमय कोश, the vital realm) and Vaja on the physical (मनमय कोश). Indra is the lower self, the soul. The final enjoyment lies in the attainment of spiritual happiness or the divine ecstasy. All the eleven verses should be read in this light. The enjoyment is in the company of our entire human complex of which Maruts (verse 7), Adityas, Parvatas, and the divine Savitri are the components, and Nature's divine bounties (verse 8), as well as Rbhus are evoked, not to go away, not to leave us. They have to be with us, and have to be satisfied along with Indra and Maruts (verse 11).

3. **Pra vah accha jujusanasah asthuh abhuta visve agriya uta vajah**, "enjoying, they have stood forth to you, all of you have become the chiefs, O Rbhus". Enjoying, they have stood forth to you (प्रा + अस्वृ = प्रतिष्ठानि—Durga of the Nirukta). All of you have become the chiefs by going in front (or by swallowing first of all), or by accomplishing first of all. Or else, the word **अग्रिया** (*agriya*) is अग्र (agram) itself with meaningless case-termination (अनर्थकसुबन्धम्). (Nir. VI.16.)

7. *Gnaspatnibhih*, by the ladies of the husbands (या स्त्राः पतीनां स्त्रियस्तानि—*Daya.*); wives of the gods; also the female protectors of women (*Wilson*).

8. *Parvatebbih*, by a sort of Nature's bounties, particularly clouds (मेघैः सह—*Daya.*) which, according to Sayana, are to be worshipped at the *Parvas*, certain periods of the month, as the new and full moon etc. (पर्वतेभिः पर्वद्भिः पर्वण्यर्च्यमानैर्देवविशेषैः—*Sayana*); Similarly, *Sindhubhih*, refers to rivers or flowing streams (स्यन्दनस्वभावेनैवभिमानि देवैश्च—*Sayana*).

9. *Svapatyani cakruh*, bringing up children with care and good instructions (सुष्ठु शिक्षयोट्तमानि चापत्यानि च तानि कुर्युः—*Daya.*); accomplishing acts productive of good results (स्वपत्न्यानि स्वपत्नसंसाधनानि वा कर्माणि चकृः—*Sayana*), i.e. acts, the means of accomplishing their good offspring or consequences.

Hymn-35

1. *Indram anu gamantu*, may follow the one with resplendent qualities; may they come after Indra (इन्द्रमनुगृह्य, अनुगमन्तु—*Sayana*); or may they come after you to Indra (*Wilson*).

Saudhanvanah, pertaining to *sudhanvan*, the possessors of good bows, or pertaining to the brilliant rain-bow in the sky (सौमनानि धन्वान्तरिक्षस्थानि येषान्तेषामिमे—*Daya.*).

Napatah (न+पात) without fall (अविधमान हाताः—*Daya.*); also sons of strength or one without protection, (नपातः बलस्य पुत्रास्तस्य न पातयितारो वा—*Sayana*).

2. *Camasam*, cloud (*Nigh. I.10*).

Caturdha, the four categories of motions—downwards, upwards, transverse, and straight (प्रथ ऊर्ध्वं तिर्यक्स्तम्भगतं पृथक्—*Daya.*).

For *camason caturdha* (ladle made fourfold, or the cloud of four types, stratus, cumulus, cirrus and nimbus), see also verses 3 and 4 of this hymn. For *camas*, see I.20.6; 54.9; 110.3; 161.1; 2; 4; 5; 9; IV.33.5; 6; 35.2; 3; 4; 5; 36.4; VIII.82.7; X.16.8; 25.4; 68.8; 96.9; 101.8.

Hymn-36

The three-wheeled car (रथस्त्रिचक्रः) without the horses (अश्वः) and without reins (अनभीष्टः) traverses the inter-space. This refers to the movement of the Sun. Rbhus are the divine architects in the cosmic creation. Just as in cosmos we have the physical sun, similarly in our own inner complex, we have the divine source of enlightenment, which wise sages create by mental meditation (रथं ये चक्रुः सुचेतसः अविह्वरन्तं मनसस्परिष्कृया—verse 2).

In the verses 3, 5 and 6, we have again a reference to *Vaja*, *Rbhu* and *Vibhvan*, and in the verse 4, again a reference to a single *camas* (ladle or cloud, made four-fold, and to a cow's new hide (चर्मणः नः). The cow may be earth in the cosmic creation, and wisdom on the spiritual plane.

9. *Sravo-virvat*, here *Sravah*, is food or also hearing or reputation (अन्नं श्रवणं वा—*Daya*.; वीरवत्=प्रशस्तवीरकारं—*Daya*.); food comprehending offspring, or endowed with dependents.

According to Sayana, *praja*, (प्रजा) is progeny (पुत्रपौत्रादिस्त्र्यां), *Sravah* (श्रवः) is reputation (यशः), and *viravat* (वीरवत्) is (वीरैर्मृत्यादिभिस्त्वेतं तज्जन्तु—*Sayana*) i.e. adherents.

Hymn-37

1. *Rbhuksah*, ऋभुक्षाः, great ones (महान्तः—*Daya*.).

Rbhuksin (ऋभुक्षिन्) is the name of Indra, but Sayana in this verse, identifies it with *Rbhavah*, i.e. Rbhus (Pl. nom. of Rbhu). In verse 3, we have another term *Rbhuksanah* (ऋभुक्षणः), also translated as great ones, by Dayananda. For this term also see verses 5, 7 and 8.

4. *Apah-siprah*, those in possession of horses with nose or chin so hard as of iron (अथ इव शिप्रे हनूनासिके येषामश्वानां तद्वन्तः—*Daya*.; “शिप्रे हनूनासिके वा” अथोवत्सारभूतशिप्राः—*Sayana*).

Vajinah, speedy (वेगवन्तः—*Daya*.), one of the Rbhus (ऋभवः—*Sayana*).

Suniskah, one with beautiful gold coins known as *Niska*, or gold ornaments. (मोहनानि निष्कानि सुवर्णमयानामूर्णानि वेपान्ते—*Daya*).

8. In this verse, we have *Nasatyas* also in addition to *Vajas*, *Rbhuksans* and *Indra*. For *Nasatya*, see earlier references: I.3.3; 34.7; 9-11; 46; 5; 47.7; 9; 116.2; 4; 9-11; 13; 14; 16; 17; 19; 20; 22; 23 etc.; not untruthful, i.e. truthful (सविद्यमाना-सत्याचारो मनान्वायेणो—*Daya*).

Hymn-38

For verses 5 and 10, see Nir. IV.24 and X.31 respectively.

1. *Vam* (a dual pron.) of you two, implies, the pair heaven and earth. Dayananda refers to the pair of the king and his army chief.

Ksetrasam, क्षेत्रासां=क्षेत्रज्ञां, he who divides the fields (यः क्षेत्राणि सन्ति विभजति तं—*Daya*); a horse (क्षेत्राणि सर्वमूमीः सन्तीति क्षेत्रसाः अश्वः—*Sayana*).

Urvarasam, the son (उर्वरा सर्वसम्पदाभूः, fertile, तां मनोतीत्युर्वरासाः पुत्रः—*Sayana*).

Thus क्षेत्रसां ददयुः उर्वरासां means, you have given a horse a son (*Sayana*). *Sayana*'s derivations are not clear, i.e. how could *ksetrasam* mean a horse, and *urvarasam* a son.

To Dayananda, *urvara* means a fertile land, yielding valuable products (उर्वरासां=बहुधेयताः पदार्थाः सन्ति यस्मात्तां भूमि सन्ति तम्—*Daya*).

Trasadasyu, the one who is a terror to wicked persons (तस्मिन्नि दस्यवो यस्मात्त—*Daya*).

See I.112.4; IV.38.1; 42.8; 9; V.27.3; VII.19.3, VIII.8.21; 19.36; 36.7; 37.7; 49.10; X.150.5

2. *Dadhikram* = *Dadhikravan* = a horse (Nigh. I.14, दधिक्रा and दधिक्रावा, synonym of *asva* or horse.)

Dādhi is one who bears or carries his rider; *kram*: to go.

According to Ait. Br. III.15.5, it means Agni, who in the form of a horse destroyed the asuras as desired by Bharadvaja (दधिनाम् । दधन्वं धारयन् धामतीति दधिना । तमेतन्नामकं देवम्—*Sayana*; यो दधिना धारकेणाधिकेन सह तम्—*Daya*).

4. *Vidatha ni-cikyat tirah aratim pari apah*, puts to shame the adversary of the pious man (*Wilson*). (विद्या, विद्यानि ज्ञातव्यानि; निचिक्वत्, पश्यतिकर्मतत्; जानन्; धरतिम्, धरमणं दुःखमभिगन्तारम्, धरि वा; परि—सर्वतः; तिरः, चरति तिस्करोति । कस्यारतिमिति; ध्रावः व्याप्तस्म, स्तोतुः—*Sayana*, i.e. knowing things cognizable, who disgraces the opponent or the foe of the man, the praiser.

5. "People shout after him in battles, as they do after a clothes-stealing thief, or a falcon let loose and swooping downwards, and a glorious herd of cattle."—People shout after him as they do after a clothes-stealing thief, i.e. one who steals clothes. *Vastram* is derived from √वृ, to wear. The word *tau* (ताम्) is synonymous of thief (स्तेन): "He is a store-house (संस्थानं) of sin", say the etymologists, or it may be derived from √वृ, to perish.

People shout after him in battles. The word *bhara* (भर) is a synonym of battle; it is derived from the root √भृ, to bear; or √हृ, to carry away. Swooping downwards (नीचायमानं), pouncing downwards. Downwards is going down; upwards is going up. Like a falcon let loose. Falcon (श्येनं) is so called because it swoops in an admirable manner (संसनीयं गच्छति). And a glorious herd of cattle, i.e. a famous herd of cattle; glory and the herd, or wealth and the herd. *Yutham* (यूथं) or herd is derived from √यु, to connect; it is compact.

Srava, श्रव, food; also praise (प्रशंसा).

10. "Dadhikra spread out the five tribes with might as the sun, the waters with his light. Thousand gaining, hundred gaining is the swift courser. May he commingle these speeches with honey". See *Nir.*; here *madhu* (honey) means water; *madhu* (मधु) is derived from the verb धम्, to blow by reversing the letters धम्—मधु (*Nir.X.31*).

Hymn-39

1. **Dadhikram**, दधिकां, sustainer of one worth sustaining (घत्तव्यं घरे—*Daya*; दधद्वयं धारयन् क्रामतीति दधिकाः ; also the name of a *Deva*, वमेतन्नामकं देवम्—*Sayana*).

See Nir. II.27 and 28; *Dadhikra* is a synonym of horse (Nigh. I.14), because it runs while bearing a rider on its back, or it neighs while bearing a rider on its back, or it looks beautiful while bearing a rider on its back. There are Vedic passages where the word is used for horse as well as a deity.

(तत्र दधिका इत्येतद् दधत् क्रामतीति वा । दधत् क्रन्दतीति वा । दधदाकारो भवतीति वा । तस्याश्ववद् देवतावच्च निगमा भवन्ति—Nir.II.27. See also IV.40.4.

2. **Dadhikravnah**, दधिक्राव्णः, of the one who pleases the custodians of knowledge (विद्याधरान् कामयते तस्य—*Daya*.); praise (स्तुति) of *Dadhikra* (*Sayana*).

3. **Aditih**, parents (मातापिता वा—*Daya*.); the indivisible, (or infrangible).

Dadhikra, (मघण्डनीयो दधिकाः—*Sayana*).

Dadhikravnah, worship of the steed; praise of the horse.

4. **Marutam**, मरुतां, of the praisers (स्तोतॄणां स्वभूतं—*Sayana*).

5. *Surabhi no mukha karat*, may he make our mouths fragrant. (The mouth is defiled by the use of inelegant language, Yv. XXIII.32; Av. XX.127.3.) This verse used to be recited at the time of the *Asvamedha*, when the priests used to bring queen away from the horse (*Mahidhara*).

6. **Dadhikravnah**, praise of *dadhikra*; the ordainer of *dharma* or sacred duties (धर्मधरस्य कर्माधिकृता—*Daya*.).

Hymn-40

For verse 4, see Nir. II.28.

1. **Dadhikravnah**, the praise of dadhikra, the one who impels wind etc. (वाय्वादि कारणं क्रामयितुः—*Daya.*).

Angirasasya, of the one born in the vital breaths (मङ्गिरस्सु प्राणेषु जवत्य—*Daya.*).

Bṛhaspateh, of the great master or saviour (बृहतां पातकस्य—*Daya.*).

Jisnoh, जिष्णोः, of jisnu; of the one victorious (जयधीतस्य—*Daya.*); name of a deity—*Sayana*.

3. **Taritratah**, by the side of the transporter. (सम्पन्नस्तारिता—*Daya.*); along the one who conveys across the other side.

Syenasya-iva dhrajatah etc. as swift as a hawk; as of a hawk, quick-going with respect to the insertion of the foot or to the breast (literal trans.).

(संकसं पादाधारम्, उरः प्रदेशं वा—*Sayana*). See Yv. IX.15.

4. "That courser hastens with speed, although it is bound by neck, flank and mouth. Putting forth its best power, *dadhikra* sprang along the bonds of roads".

—That courser, i.e. the swift runner, trots on the road with speed, i.e. quickly, although it is bound by the neck.

Griva (घ्रीवा) is derived from $\sqrt{\text{ग्र}}$, to swallow or from $\sqrt{\text{ग्र}}$, to call out, or from $\sqrt{\text{ग्रह्}}$, to seize. Bound by flank and mouth has been earlier explained in the Nirukta. Putting forth its best power, i.e. action or intelligence. *Anu santavitvat* (अनु सम्जघीत्वत्) is a word derived from the simple original form of *tan* (तन्) to spread. Bends of roads (पथां संकांसि).

Panthah (पन्थाः, path) is derived from $\sqrt{\text{पठ्}}$, to fall, or from $\sqrt{\text{पठ्}}$, to go, or from $\sqrt{\text{पन्थ्}}$, to move.

Ankah, (अंकः, curve) is derived from $\sqrt{\text{अञ्च्}}$, to bend. *A-paniphanat* (आपन्नोपपन्नत्) is a reduplicated form (intensive) of $\sqrt{\text{पन्थ्}}$, to bound.

5. This verse is also known as the *Hansavati Re*; also see Yv. X 24 and XII.14; Alt.Br. IV.20.1.

Aditya has been regarded as the Sun in the type *dadhikra* with *para-brahma*, or the supreme deity.

Hansa (हंस)—derived from $\sqrt{\text{हन्}}$, to go, he who goes eternally to destroy, who destroys individually, or it is resolvable into म॒हं+सः (I+he), i.e. I am that, the Supreme. Also one who destroys sins (यो हन्ति पापानि सः—*Daya.*).

Vasu, the appointer of the stations of all creatures or all men, or that which abides (वसति) at all times (सर्वदा). Also one who stays in bodies etc. (यः शरीरादिषु वसति—*Daya.*).

Hota, the sacrificer (here *agni*); the donor and receiver (दाता प्रापता वा—*Daya.*).

Atithi, or guest, meaning *agni* or fire; first as the sacrificial, and secondly as culinary fire (प्रतिविदन् सदा पूज्योऽग्निः—*Sayana*); an unexpected guest (प्रतिपततिपि—*Daya.*).

Nrsad (नृसत्), one present among men (यो नरेषु सीदति—*Daya.*); the dweller among men; one who dwells in men as consciousness and vitality (नृषु मनुष्येषु चैतन्यरूपेण सीदतीति नृषत्—*Sayana*).

Rta sat (ऋतसत्) is he who is present in truth, or in water or in sacrifice (ऋतं सत्यं ब्रह्मज्ञो वा सत्त सीदतीति ऋतसत् अग्निः—*Sayana*).

Vyomsat (व्योमसत्), the dweller in the sky; it may be wind (वायुः—*Sayana*; यो व्योमिन् सीदति—*Daya.*).

Abjah (अप्ज्जाः), born of water or in the midst of water; (उदकेषु जातः । उदकमध्ये खल्वयं जायते—*Sayana*). This refers to the rising of the sun from the ocean and again setting in the same.

Gojah (गोज्जाः), born amidst rays (गो=रश्मि, ray); or born out of the earth (यो गोषु पृथिव्यादिषु जातः—*Daya.*).

Rtajah (ऋतज्जाः), born of truth (यः सत्याज्जातः—*Daya.*); (born from the mantras of the Vedas—*Sayana.*); also born of truth, from being

visible by all, not invisible like *Indra* and the rest (ऋतं सत्यम् । सर्वेदुःप्रदायेन सत्यजातः । न ह्यसाविन्द्रादिवत् परोक्षीभवति—*Sayana*); or born in water like electricity or lightning, or sea-fire (गङ्गा, उदकेषु वैद्युतस्त्वेन वाजस्त्वेन वा जातः—*Sayana*).

Adrijah (अद्रिजा), cloud-born (मोऽद्रिमौघाज्जातः—*Daya*; अद्रि=cloud, Nigh I.10); mountain-born (मन्त्रावुदयाचले जातः—the sun born in the eastern Udayacala mountain—*Sayana*).

On the spiritual side, the text refers to the lower self and the Supreme Self; see Ait.Br. हुं ह्य शुचिपदित्येपदे हुं ह्य शुचिपत् (IV.20). *Aditya* is the Sun; more so, it represents Brahman, ऋतं सत्यमवाप्त्यं सर्वादिपदानं ब्रह्मन्त्वम्, the indefeasible, all regulating principle, the supreme universal spirit, the *parabrahma*, सत्यं ज्ञानमनन्तं ब्रह्म, truth, wisdom, and infinitude (ऋतं बृहत्).

Hymn-41

In this verse, though the names are two *Indra* (the resplendent) and *Varuna*, the venerable; both these terms refer to one and the same Supreme Reality, who alone is invoked; these invocations and praises, yielding multifarious benefits, as a cow that has gone forth to pasture furnishes milk through thousands of channels (verse 5)—सहस्रधारा पयसा नहो नोः ।

6. **Paritakmyayam**, be around us (*Wilson*); परितक्म्यायाम्=परितस्तक्मानयवो यस्यां तस्याम्—*Daya*. See Nir. XI.25 for परितक्म्या where it means *night* (किं परितक्मन् । परितक्म्या रात्रिः । परित एतां तक्म । तक्मेत्युप्यनान । तक्मि इति सत्.) —What was the errand with regard to us? What night?

Paritakmya means night, because *takma* surrounds it on both sides. *Takma* is a synonym of heat, because it goes away (√तक् to go away). See X.108.1.

Surah, of the Sun (ग्रीरकस्य सूर्यस्य—*Sayana*).

Dysike (दुष्कि), for the visibility of the sun for a long time, i.e. for a long life (चिरकालं दर्शनाय चिरजीवनाय—*Sayana*).

8. **Yavayuh** (यवयूह), longing for you (युवां कामयमानाः—*Sayana*, *Daya*).

9. Jostarah-iva, जोषारह इव, as servants (सेवमाना इव—*Daya*), i.e. as servants on a rich master. Also a flatterer, from $\sqrt{\text{यु}}\text{y}$, to please.

Hymn-42

1. *Mama dvita rastram Ksatriyasya visvayoh*, two-fold is my empire, of the defence people of long and full lives (*visvayoh*, विश्वायोः विश्वं पूर्णमायुर्दत्तं, तस्य—*Daya*; विश्वायोः कृत्स्नमनुष्माधीनस्य—*Sayana*; or *visvayoh* means *entire* or the whole, here it may mean the entire military race *Sayana* unnecessarily translates. *Ksatriyasya*, as of these born in the *ksatriya* clan (क्षत्रियजात्युत्पन्नस्य). *Tvita* is two-fold : (according to *Sayana* one pertaining to earth and the second to heaven, द्विता धितस्त्विर्मेदेन द्वित्वापन्नं—*Sayana*) Perhaps, the better would be of the ruler (राजा) and ruled (प्रजा), these two divisions.

Visve amrta yattha nah, all the immortals are ours. (*Sayana* presumes that *Svarga* is a separate world over which the Supreme Being also presides, and the *Svarga* is inhabited by the immortal ones (अमृताः देवाः). The Supreme Being is *Varuna*, perhaps, he is also identified with *Trasadasyu* (see verse 3)—अहं (i.e. तसदस्युः) इन्द्रः वरुणः (am Indra and Varuna also).

2. *Kṛsteh*, of people.

Aham, is *Trasadasyu* (*Sayana*), the Supreme Lord (जगदीश्वरः—*Daya*).

Asuryani, of clouds-like, of wicked people, (असुराणां मेघादीनामिमानि चिह्नानि—*Daya*.) असुरः = मेघः (Nigh. I.10).

4. *Sadane ṛtasyn*, ऋतं=water (Nigh. I.12); as the abode of water; or in the final world of truth (सदने सर्वस्वित्यर्थे जगति, ऋतस्य सत्यस्य प्रकृत्याख्यास्य—*Daya*).

Aham (अहं)=The Supreme Lord; *apah* = water or midspace.

5. *Tridhatu* (त्रिधातु), three-fold elementary state or of three sorts (त्रि प्रकारं—*Sayana*); or the entire creation, resting on three principles of *satva*, *rajas* and *tamas* (तयः सत्त्वजस्तमांसि गुणा धारका यस्मिंस्तत् सर्वं जगत्—*Daya*).

8. *Trasadasyu*, the one of whom the wicked ones are terribly afraid of (वस्यन्ति दस्यवो यस्मात्तन्—*Daya*).

Daurgahe, in the very deep (दुर्गहे—*Daya*). According to Sayana, *Daurgaha* is the son of *Durgaha* (दुर्गहः), identified as *Purukutsa*. Sayana refers to a parable which the mythology evolved out at a later age; *Purukutsa*, son of *Durgaha*, being a prisoner; on a certain occasion, his queen (पुरुकुत्सानी) propitiated the seven *Rsis* (सप्तर्षयः) to obtain a son to succeed his father as king in due course. The seven *Rsis* advised her to worship *Varuna* and *Indra*, and in consequence, she got a son who came to be known as *Trasadasyu*.

9. *Arđhadevam*, this refers to the Sun who lights up at a time half of the universe. Sayana refers it to *Indra*, who is considered as one-half of all the gods taken together; and he thus alone is entitled to have the largest sharings.

Purukutsani, पुरुकुत्सानी, wife of *Purukutsa* (*Sayana*); a lady with a large mass of ills and evils (पुरुषं कुत्सानी यस्यां सा—*Daya*).

10. *Anapa-sphurantim*, one exhibiting strong will and penetrating wisdom (दुष्टं निरचलां प्रज्ञां सन्पादयन्तीम्—*Daya*.); free from any imperfection—*Wilson* (अनर्वाह्विताम्—*Sayana*).

Hymn-43

Like some of the earlier hymns, this hymn also refers to Sun, his daughter *Surya* (dawn), *Indra*, *Dasras* and *Nasatya*. For *Dasras* see 1.3.3; 30.17; 46.2; 47.3; 6; 92.16; 112.24; 116.10; 16; 117.5; 20; 21; 139.3; 4; 18.5; 182.3; 183.5 etc.

2. *Dravat-asvam*, द्रवत्-अश्वम्, one equipped with fast moving horses (द्रवन्तो द्रुतं गच्छन्तोऽश्वा यस्मिंस्तन्—*Daya*.; आशुम्—*Sayana*).

Maksu, quickly, with speed (शीघ्रम्—*Sayana*).

3. *Paritakmyayam*, at the end of night (रात्रावतीतायाम्—*Sayana*); in the creation full of jolly persons (परितः सर्वतस्तकन्ति हसन्ति यस्यां सृष्टी तस्याम्—*Daya*.).

4. *Dasra*, दसा, destroyers or dispellers of pain (दुःखोपशमितारी—*Daya*; दसा मरूणाःमुपशितारी अश्विनो, dispeller of enemies; *Asvins*—*Sayana*).

Madhvi, O the creator or dispenser of sweet saps (मधुर रसस्त्रोदकस्य स्रष्टारी—*Sayana*).

6. *Sindhu*, river, sea or water in general.

Hymn-44

1. मया = मय ।

2. *Sangatim goh*, bringer into union (गो गवां संगमयितारं—*Sayana*), or associator of Go; Go is earth (*Daya*.); associator of the solar ray (*Wilson*), since *Asvins* are associated with light or the sun.

3. *Kakuhassah*, कुकुहासः, all the directions (सर्वादिशः—*Daya*.); (ककुहः = ककुभः = दिक्; *Nigh.I.6*); large horses (महान्तोज्वाः—*Sayana*).

6. It refers to *Purumilha* and *Ajamilha* (उभयेषु पुरुमील्हाजमीहलेषु — *Sayana*); also later on the two *Rsis* of the hymn. To *Dayananda*, उभयेषु refers to king and his people.

Ajamilha (अजमील्ह) is one who trains goats, his children are ग्राजमील्ह (ग्रेजान् विद्यया सिञ्चन्ति, तदपत्यानि—*Daya*.). The word exists nowhere else in the *R̥gveda*.

For *Purumilha*, also see I.151.2; 183.5; V.61.9; VIII.71.14.

Hymn-45

1. *Mithunahtrayah*, त्रियुताः त्रयः, pairs of threes.

Trayah, wind, water and lightning (*Daya*.); three sorts of foods (*trayah prakasasah*, त्रिविधाः प्रकासाः;—“असनं, पानं, खादश्च” इति हि धृतम्—*Sayana*). Even the term *mithuna* (मिथुन) or pair so often stands for a group of more than two; here *mithuna* represents mother, father and the son (*Taittiriya*s).

Dytil, leather vessel for holding water; (समस्तव्यापारः पदार्थश्चर्मवर्गो द्युतिरित्युच्यते—*Sayana*); and cloud (Nigh. I.10); also leather vessel-like cloud (द्युतिनिव वस्तुमानं मेघम्—*Daya*, in verse 3).

4. **Hamsasah**, हंसासः, horses (Nigh. I.14); horses moving with the speed of swans.

Maksah, king of bees or big flies.

6. **Akenipasah**, आकेऽनिपासः, rays which always fall very close (य आके समीपे नितरां पान्ति ते किरणा—*Daya*).

Hymn-46

2. **Niyutvan**, strong and mighty wind (वत्तवान् समर्थो वायुः—*Daya*; नियुदिभूस्तद्वान्—*Sayana*).

Indra sarathih, Indra as the assistant, or as a charioteer; Indra is lightning or *vidyut* (*Daya*).

3. **Indra-vayu**, a pair of the sun and wind; or wind and lightning; or of king and his army; or of a teacher and preacher, or of king and his minister (*Daya*).

Hymn-47

1. **Sukrah**, shining by discipline and penance (शुक्लवर्चोऽदिता शौचतोऽर्हः—*Sayana*); purified by holy acts (*Wilson*), मध्वोः (gen.) = मधुम् (acc.).

Hymn-48

2. **Niyutvan**, see IV.46 2.

1. **Vipah na rayah**, like a prince, the terror of foes (शत्रूणां वेपथिता राजेय—*Sayana*); विप्रः—wise man (मेधावी—*Daya*), रायः = wealth (धनानि—*Daya*); **aryah**, businessman (वैश्यः—*Daya*); **Candrena**, by golden or bright (सुवर्णमयेन—*Daya*).

2. **Indra Sarathih**, the one who moves Indra in orderly way. Indra is lightning, the sun or fire.

5. *Harinam*, हरीनां, of men (मनुष्याणां—*Daya.*); of horses also yoked to a chariot.

Sahasrinah, thousands or numerous.

3. *Kṛsne vasudhiti*—*kṛsne*—*kṛsne* (the drawn, कर्षिते); *vasudhiti* (the conditions governing the motion of heavenly bodies in space—वसुनां धितिर्ययोर्धर्वा पृथिव्योस्ते—*Daya.*); dark nurses of wealth—*Wilson*; कुल्लक्षणं वसुनां धातवो—*Sayana*.

Hymn-49

The hymn invokes Indra and Bṛhaspati, the Lord with resplendence and supremacy. The pair of Indra and Bṛhaspati has been interpreted as the pair of (i) lightning and the sun; (ii) king and his minister and (iii) teacher and preacher (*Daya.*).

Hymn-50

Bṛhaspati is the Sun; the glory of Lord in the sun, and finally, the Lord Supreme.

1. *Trisadhasthab* (त्रिषदष्टस्थः)—Three level places, or the triad of knowledge, action and devotion (त्रिषु समानस्थानेषु कर्मोपासना ज्ञानेषु वा—*Daya.*).

Ravens, रवेण, by sound advice (उपदेशेन—*Daya.*).

Also, who abides with noise in three regions (त्रिषु स्थानेषु वर्तमानाः, रवेण एव तिष्ठतेत्यनेन शब्देन—*Sayana*).

4. *Sapta asyah*, seven-mouthed, the seven sorts of rays are the mouth, of that one; *sapta rasmih*, the seven rays.

6. *Visvadevaya*, the universal deity; the Supreme Lord, an appellation of Bṛhaspati. *Deva* also means praise (देव शब्दः स्तुत्यर्थः—*Sayana*), and hence, he who has the praise of all (सर्वस्तुत्याय—*Sayana*); also for one who enlightens all (विराजस्य प्रकाशकस्य—*Daya.*).

7—9. See Ait Brahmana VIII.5.24-26. Sayana interprets these verses as an authority for the indispensable employment by a prince of a Brahmana as a family priest (*purohita*) to conduct solemn rites on

his behalf. By a *Brahmana* is meant a person who is well versed in divine knowledge and leads the life of dedication.

Hymn-51

For verse 1, see Nir. I.5.

1. इदम् । ऊँ इति । See Nir. I.5; the letter u (उकार) is used after in the sense of 'mutual opposition' (विनिग्रहार्थ); it is also used as expletive (पद पूरण), as in इदम् (IV.51.1) and तद् (I.62.6).

1. *Divo duhitarah*, daughters of heaven, i.e. dawns.

Gatum, to the earth (पृथिवीम्—*Daya.*); the faculty to move or go etc. (गतुं गमनं गमनादि व्यापार सामर्थ्यं—*Sayana*).

Janaya, to man, to the yajamana (यजमानानां—*Sayana*).

Gatum kṛnavan janaya, are giving man the faculty to act (*Wilson*); they give to the offerers of sacrifice the ability to perform the acts of going and the like.

3. *Panayah*, the accomplished women (पशंसनीया—*Daya.*); traders, non-givers, churlish traffickers (वणिज इव बादातारः—*Sayana*).

Maghonih, the wives of those who have love and respect for wealth (सत्कृत धनानां स्त्रियः—*Daya.*); wealthy ones (धनवत्यः—*Sayana*).

Radhodeyaya, for liberally giving wealth (धनं दातुं योग्याय व्यवहाराय—*Daya.*).

4. *Navagve, dasagve*, nine day's rite and ten day's rite; for the one accompanying nine cows or ten cows (नवगावो विद्यन्ते यस्य तस्मै; दशगावो यस्य तस्मै—*Daya.*).

Sapta-asye, in the one who has seven vital breaths in the mouth (सप्तप्राणाप्रास्यं यस्य तस्मिन्—*Daya.*). Seven-mouthed Angirasas—i.e. repeating the Seven Vedic metres.

11. It has been an old practice of reciting this verse *inaudibly* every morning at day-break (*Wilson*).

Hymn-52

1. **Sunari**, a fine lady-leader; a woman of status (सुन्दरी—*Daya.*); the conductress (of men)—*Wilson*. See also I.48.5; 8; 10; and VII.81.1 for सुनरी; for सूनरी VIII.29.1 and X.115.7 and सूनरम्—I.40.4; V.34.7 rays of light (i.e. dawn). (सूनरी जनानां सुष्ठु नेत्र्युषा—*Sayana*, VII.81.1)

Asya (अश्वा) **iva**, like a mare.

Compare माता गवामृतावरी (2) with माता गवामसि (3); ऋतावरी (2) with सूनृतावरि (4), and विभावरी (6).

Ṛtavari—giver of eternal truth (बहुसत्यप्रकाशिका—*Daya.*; *Smṛtavari*, giver of true speech (सत्यवाक्प्रकाशिका—*Daya.*); *Vibhavari*, the possessor of wide enlightenment (प्रशस्तविविध प्रकाशकता—*Daya.*).

4. **Yavayad-dvesasam**, baffler of animosities (यावयन्तं द्वेष्टार इ पसं द्वेष्टारं पृषत् कारयन्तीम्—*Daya.*). The dawn puts to flight those enemies who had been endeavouring to destroy their adversaries during the night.

5. **Gavam sarga na**, like the creations of the earth etc. (गवां पृथिवीनां सर्गाः सृष्टयः न इव—*Daya.*); like showers of rain (गवां उदकानां सर्गा न वर्षाधारा इवेवम्—*Sayana*).

Hymn-53

The hymn is devoted to the Sun, the centre of our planetary system. The Sun is *Savitṛ*. So is our Supreme Lord, the Creator of the universe. The verse 5 indicates mystically the three firmaments, three worlds, three spheres, the three heavens, the threefold earth and the three functions of *Savitṛ*. Just as the planetary system has a Sun to guide and hold the equilibrium, so we have the *adhidaivata* realm, the realm of sense organs and the mental activity. There is a third realm of spiritual existence, the *adhyatmika*. The verses 6 and 7 invoke the *Savitṛ* of this last realm.

1. **Chardih**, छदि, dwelling (Nigh. III.4), तद् छदिः नः महान् उदयान् देवः प्रस्तुभिः—May the great Lord grant us such dwelling, such light or enlightenment every day.

2. **Pisangam drapim prati muncate**, leaves or casts off the armour of special form (विचित्रं रूपं कवचं प्रतिस्त्वजति—*Daya*.); puts on his golden armour (हिरण्यं कवचमाच्छादयति प्रत्युदयम्; every morning he puts on a golden cuirass—*Sayana*).

3. **Bahu asrak** (बाहु अश्रक); puts forth his arms (or his rays); brings forth his arms (i.e. his strength and valour, सृजति बलवीर्यं—*Daya*.).

5. **Trih antariksam**, (अन्तरिक्षं = अन्तरधममाकाशम्—*Daya*).

(According to *Sayana*, *antariksa*, is divided between *Vayu*, *Vidyut* and *Varuna* in to three portions).

Tri rajamsi, three worlds (उत्तममध्यमनिकृष्टानि, the best, medium and the worst—*Daya*.; अथ्वान्तरिक्षमूलक्षणान् विवोकान्, the earth, the midspace, and the sky—*Sayana*).

Trini rocana, three brilliant spheres (विद्युत् भौतिक सूर्यरूपानि ज्योतीनि—*Daya*); the regions of *Agni*, *Vayu* and *Surya*—*Sayana*.

Tisrodivah, three heavens, three lights, of the Sun, of moon (and stars), and of lamps and flames (प्रकाशान्—*Daya*.); the *lokas* of *Indra*, *Prajapati* and *Satya Loka* (*Sayana*).

Tisrah prthivih, the three divisions of earth,—land, water and air (अथवान्तरभेदान् लोकान्—*Sayana*).

Tribhih vrataih, by three types of rules (नियमैः—*Daya*); i.e. distributing heat, rain and cold (उष्णवर्षहिमाद्यैः—*Sayana*).

Hymn-54

This hymn again invokes the Creator, the *Savitṛ*. On the physical plane, the hymn describes the characteristics of our Sun, the centre of the planetary system.

2. **Suvasi**, from *su* to bear or bring forth, thou engenderest (*Sayana*). From the same *su*, we have *suvasat* (सुवतात्—verse 3), *suvasi* (सुवसि—verse 4) and again *suvasi* (सुवसि—verse 5). *Dayananda* translates *suvasi* as thou impelest (सुवसि प्रेरयसि, सुवतात् प्रेरय).

Anucina jivita, successive existences, as father, son, grandson and so on (जीवितान्यनुक्रमयुक्तानि—*Sayana*; मान्यनुचरन्ति तानि जीवितानि—*Daya*). See also Yv. XXXIII.54.

5. **Yatha-yatha patayantah vi-yemire**, in the like manner at thy command they stayed (*Wilson*); (पतयन्तः पतिरिवाचरन्तः ; वियेमिरे विशेषेण नियच्छन्ति—*Daya*; यथायथा पतयन्तः गच्छन्तः त्वां वियेमिरे विनियम्यन्ते त्वया—*Sayana*).

Hymn-55

The hymn refers to Vasus, Aditi, Mitra, Varuna (1), Sindhu and svasti (3); Aryaman, Varuna, Agni, Indra, Visnu (4); Parvata, Maruts, Bhaga and Mitra (5); Dyava-prthivi and Ahibudhnya (6), Aditi, Mitra, Varuna and Agni (7); Usas (9); and Savitṛ, Bhaga, Varuna, Mitra, Aryaman and Indra (10). See earlier references on these terms. They have a variety of interpretations on different planes and in different contexts.

3. Svasti, abode of happiness; well-being.

Hymn-56

1. **Dyava-prthivi**, a pair of the sun and earth (*Daya*).

2. **Devi**, shining (देदीप्यमाने); *aminati* (अमिनती), unharmed (अहिंसके), *uksamane*, sprinkling with happiness (सर्वान् प्राणिनः सुखैः सिञ्चमाने); *ṛtavari*, possessing truth (बहुवृत्त सत्यं विद्यते यज्ञोस्ते—*Daya*; *ṛta* is also water or sacrifice); *adruha*, not opposing or violent (अद्रोहव्ये); *devaputre*, having learned people as sons (देवा पित्र्यः पुत्रा यज्ञोस्ते); *netri*, leaders or investigators (नयनकर्तव्यौ).—*Daya*.

Hymn-57

For verses 1, 2 and 5, see Nir.X.15, X.16 and IX.41, respectively.

The hymn is devoted to agriculture. The *Grhya Sūtras* recommend the verses to be recited at the time of ploughing. *Kṣetrapati*

the landlord, *sunasira*, the servants of the landlord, *sita*, furrow are typical agricultural terms.

1. **Ksetram**, क्षेत्रम्, abode; the word is derived from √क्षि, meaning to dwell,—the *ksetra-pati* is thus the protector or supporter of the dwelling place. (Nir.X.14).

“We will win with the lord of abode as with a friend; bring to us a horse or a cow, O nourisher. He shall be gracious to us for such (a gift)”—We will win with the lord of abode as with a very friendly person. Bring, O nourisher, a well-nourished cow or horse. He shall be gracious to us for such (a gift).

With strength or wealth. The verb √मृत् means to give.

2. O lord of the abode, bestow upon us the wave, rich in honey, distilling honey, and well-purified like clarified butter, as cow does its milk. May the lords of the sacred law be gracious to us

The verb √मृत् means to protect or to worship. Some authorities think that the two words मधुमन्तं (rich in honey) and मधुश्चुतं (distilling honey) have tautology (समानाभिप्यवहार) in them, just as in हिरण्यसंज्ञः स हिरण्यरूपः स (golden in form, he is golden in appearance (II.35.10)). Another school of thought does not admit tautology, if there is some difference, even if it is very slight, as for instance in मण्डूका इवोदकान् मण्डूका उदकादिव (X 166 2), or “as from water the frogs” and “as frogs from water”.

5. **Sunah** (शुनः) means wind, so called because it moves quickly in the atmosphere; *sirah* (सीरः) means the sun, from moving √सृ; O wind and the sun, enjoy this praise. Sprinkle ye both this (earth) with whatever water you make in heaven.

Dayananda refers to the pair of land-lord and his servants (शुनासीरो क्षेत्रपति-भूद्वयो) instead of the pair of wind and the sun.

7. **Sitam**, furrow (मृत्निकषिकां—*Daya.*). See Yv. XII.69-72.

8. **Sunam**, happily (सुखम्—*Daya.*).

Phalah, फालाः ploughshares.

Kinasah, कीनाशाः ploughmen (कृषीवसाः—*Daya.*).

For verses 7 and 8, see Av. III.17.4 and 13.

Hymn-58

For verses 1, 3 and 8, see Nir. VII.17, XIII.7 and VII.20.

For the whole hymn, see Yv. XVII.89-99.

1. **Samudrat urmih madhuman ut arat**, the wave rich in honey, has arisen from the ocean. According to the Nirukta, this is regarded as referring to the sun (VII.17). The sun rises, indeed, from the oceans and from the waters (समुद्राद्ध्येषोऽस्य उदेति—Kausitaki Br. XXV.1) as we have this Brahmana quotation.

Dayananda, on the other hand, translates *samudrat* as from the interspace (मन्तरिक्षात्; Nigh. I.3).

Amsuna, by the sun; *ghṛtasya*, of water.

The verse refers to the mystic name of *ghṛta* (घृत), it is the tongue of Nature's bounties and the navel of ambrosia.

Sayana has given various shades of meaning to this verse, according to the signification one gives to *samudra*; (i) as that in which the worshippers delight, i.e. sacrificial fire (संमोदन्तेऽस्मिन्मयजमानाः इति वा समुद्रोऽग्निः पापिवः) or (ii) that from which waters rush (समुद्रवन्त्यापोऽस्माद् इति व्युत्पत्त्या वैद्युतोऽग्निः) i.e. the celestial fire or lightning.

Urmi in the first case may imply reward or consequence. (ऊर्मिः—ऊर्मिवदुपयुंरि उद्भूतः); in the latter case, rain; and in the latter sense of *urmi*, *samudra* may have one of its more ordinary meanings, *antariksa* or firmament. *Samudra* may imply, etymologically, the udder of a cow, whence flows milk, *samudravati*, from which comes *urmi*, ghee or butter.

2. Here again a reference to *ghṛta*, which is the name of clarified butter also. Here in this verse, we have a reference to the four-horned Brahman (चतुष्टङ्गः), which is elaborated in the verse 3. The four horns are the four Vedas (*Daya.*).

Gaurah, fair-complexioned; one who is fond of divine speech and good learning (यो गवि सुवितायां वाचि रमते सः—*Daya.*); *gaura* = *yajna* (*Mahidhara*).

Avamid gaura etat—The fair complexioned deity perfects this rite (*Wilson*). According to Sayana, the verse applies to *Agni* as the Sun.

3. One of the very popular verses, interpreted differently by people of different discipline :

(i) As applied to *yajna* (the *Aditya*) : the four horns—the four Vedas; the three feet—three daily sacrifices (morning, midday and evening); the two heads—two ceremonies—*Brahmaudanam* and *Pravargya* : according to the *Nirukta*—the *prayaniya* (प्रायणीय) and the *udayaniya* (उदयनीय); the seven hands—the seven metres (*candas*, *Gayatri* etc.); the three bonds—*mantra*, *kalpa* and *Brahmana* i.e. the prayer, the ceremonial and the rationale.

(ii) Another way, applied to *yajna*: the four horns—the four priests, the *Hotṛ*, *Udgatṛ*, *Adhvaryu* and *Brahma*; the three feet—the three Vedas, the *R̥k*, the *Saman* and the *Yajus*; the two heads—the *Havirdhana* and *Pravargya* rites; the seven hands—the seven metres or the seven priests; the three bonds—the three daily sacrifices.

(iii) As applied to *Aditya*, the Sun : the four horns—the four cardinal points of the horizon : east, south, west and north; the three feet—morning, noon and evening; the two heads—day and night; the seven hands—the seven rays or the seven seasons (the six seasons and the aggregate, or the years as the seventh); the three bonds—the three regions, earth, mid-air and heaven.

(iv) As applied to grammatical speech : the four horns—nouns, verbs, prepositions and particles; the three feet—three persons or three times (past, present and future), two heads—the agent and the object; the seven hands—the seven cases; three bindings—the three numbers, singular, dual and plural.

The *Nirukta* (XIII.7) favours the details outlined under the head (i).

4. The *Panīs*, or the *Asuras* the traders. For this, see earlier notes. The three forms or states in which the ghee (घी) was deposited in the cow are milk, curd and butter, of which Indra engendered (जनान्) milk, Surya butter and the gods (देवाः) fabricated (तत्तद्युः) curds from the shining (वेनत्), that is Agni.

According to Dayananda, *gavi* is 'in the divine speech'; *ghṛta*, is the divine bliss or enlightenment, *Venat* is from the close proximity of Lord.

5. **Samudrat**, from the mid-air (अन्तरिक्षात्—*Daya.*); *Satavrajah* (सतव्रजाः), innumerable movements (अपरिमित गतयः—*Sayana*), *etah*, i.e. showers of water (आपो पृतधारा वा—*Sayana*).

Vetasah, produced out of waters, fire or lightning (वेतसः अस्तंभवो-
ऽग्निर्वैद्युत—*Sayana*); lovable (कमलोपः—*Daya.*).

6. *Sayana* utilizes the verse for pouring clarified butter from the ladle on the sacrificial fire.

Dhenah, enlightened speech (विद्यायुक्ता वाचः—*Daya.*); words, texts flowing like rivers (धेनाः प्रीणयित्वो नद्य इव—*Sayana*).

Antarhṛda manasa puyamana, freed from error by the heart and the mind; or by the mind gone within the heart (मनसा हृदयमध्यगतेन चित्तेन—*Sayana.*; अन्तः स्थितेनात्मना शुद्धेनान्तःकरणेन पवित्रता कुर्वाणः—*Daya.*).

7. **Kasthah bhindan urmibhih pinvamanah**—काष्ठः, limiting circles (मर्यादाभूतान् परिधीन्—*Sayana*); banks like the directions, or directional boundaries (दिश इव तटीः—*Daya.*).

Ghrta, water; *sindhoh iva*, like a river (sindhu may be *antariksa* also).

10. **Ghrtasya dhara**, the streams or speeches through which knowledge flows (प्रकाशितस्य बोधस्य प्रकाशिका वाचः—*Daya.*).

Su-stutim gavyam ajim—the sacred praise, the source of herds of cattle; *gavyamajim* the number or collection relating to cattle, —*Sayana*), function in relation to well-known speech—गव्यं गवे वाचे हितं व्यवहारम्—*Daya.*); or abundance of water.

The entire hymn is characterized by mystic thoughts, and elegant spiritual realization.

NOTES ON BOOK No. 5

Hymn-1

For verse 2, see Nir. VI.13.

1. उपासम्=उपसम् (अन्वेषामपि०—Panini VI.3.136).

See Yv. XX.24.

Prati dhenum iva ayatimusasam, as the cow is awakened in the morning by the calf and men by day-break. (*Mahidhara*)

Yahva iva pra vayamujjihanah, as large birds springing from the branches of the trees, or as the largest birds from their nests (*Mahidhara*). (यद्वा इव—महान्तो वृक्षाः, like large trees; वयां शाखां, branches; उज्जिहानाः—त्यजन्तः, springing from; leaving—*Daya.*; वयां वृक्षशाखां—*Mahidhara*).

2. **Rusat**, this is a synonym of colour; it is derived from the root √ रुच्, meaning to shine: the “brilliant strength of the kindled one has been seen.” (Nir. VI.13) (समिद्धस्य प्रदीप्तस्य, रसत् रूपं, चर्दति दृश्यते, पात्रः बलम्—*Daya.*).

3. **Yad-im ganasya rasanamajigah**—when he has seized the rope of the company; that is, the confining girdle of the aggregated world (or the darkness encompassing the world, like a rope or cord, obstructing all active exertion—(गणस्य समूहस्य, of a group—*Daya.*; संपात्मकस्य जगतः—*Sayana*; रशनां रज्जुमिव व्यापारप्रतिबन्धकं, तमः—*Sayana*; अजीगः भृशं गिरति—*Daya.*).

Uttanam, one proceeding in the upward direction, ऊर्ध्वगामिनीम्—*Daya.*; recumbent,—*Wilson*; ऊर्ध्वतानामुपरि विस्तृतम्—*Sayana*).

4. **Virupe**, antiformal (विरुद्धस्वरूपे—*Daya.*); multiformal or of various forms (नानारूपे—*Sayana*); being in the fem. dual it may represent the heaven and earth—द्यावापृथिव्यौ ।

6. सुरभा उ=सुरभौ—ऊँ इति ।

Surabhau, fragrant (सुगन्धिते—*Daya.*); in two fragrant places.

Hymn-2

For verse 9, see Nir.IV.18.

This is a mystery hymn, which according to the ritualists, is devoted to the lightning of fire, of course, in the metaphorical allusive language, obscure at places. The mother is the two pieces of touch-wood, which retain fire; this refers to the Vedic process of attrition; the fire thus generated is the child; the father is perhaps the *yajamana*. The mother does not spontaneously give it up to the father until forced by attrition; till then, also, the priests do not behold it. But they see it when bursting into ignition.

On the spiritual side, the fire so generated is the fire of spiritual knowledge, the Divine Enlightenment, which has to be kindled by the yogin out of his innermost subconsciousness.

Sayana quotes unnecessarily a story in this connection from the *Satyayana Brahmana*, referring to *Raja Tryaruna*, the son of *Trivṛṣṇa* of the race of *Iksvakus*, and the *Purohita vṛṣa*, the son of *Jara*. The *Raja* and the *Purohita* (the priest) were once going in one and the same chariot, and according to the custom then prevalent, the priest was driving the chariot. By an accident, a *Brahmana* boy, playing on the road was killed, and the dispute ensued between the king and the priest as to which was the murderer, the driver of the chariot or the owner. The dispute was referred to an assembly of *Iksvakus*, who decided the matter against the priest. Thereupon, *Vṛṣa*, the priest restored the dead boy to life by reciting the prayer known henceforth as *Vṛṣa Saman* (स ऋषिर्वृषिस्तान्ना तं कुमारमुदजीवयत्—*Sayana*). The whole incident, however, annoyed the priest, *Vṛṣa R̥ṣi*, who cursed the *Iksvakus* for their partiality, and thereon fire henceforth ceased to perform its functions in their dwellings,—in their kitchens and sacrifices both. On this *Iksvakus* invoked the presence of the priest; and pleased with this, the *R̥ṣi* with the same *mantra* restored the fire to them. The story is given in the *Tandya Brahmana*, and the *Bṛhad-devata*, where we read thus also : “*Vṛṣa* being propitiated sought for the heat of the fire in the King’s house, and he found a *Pisaci* as a wife of the king. Having seated himself with her upon the cushion on a stool, he addressed her with the verse” (*kam etam tvam*, V.2.2.), speaking of the heat (*haras*) in the form of a boy, he addressed her (thus). And when he uttered the verse (*vi jyotisa*, V.2.9) the fire suddenly flamed up, repelling

him who approached and illuminating what was already bright; and it burned the Pisaci where she sat." (*Bṛhad. V.19-22*). The entire legend is a concoction of the post-Vedic period, and refers to some controversy between princes and priests, and a temporary discontinuance of worship with fire. The entire hymn is a beautiful composition, referring to the kindling of the innermost fire for one's enlightenment.

Dayananda refers to this hymn in connection with the marriage of youthful couples.

7. **Sunah-sepam**, to one indulging in worldly enjoyments and sensual functions (सुखस्य प्रापकमिन्द्रियारामम्—*Daya.*).

Yupat, from the simple or complicated bindings (मिश्रितामिश्रिताम्बन्धनात्—*Daya.*); (शुनश्चिच्छेनं=शुनःश्लेषम् चित् ।)

Pasan, bondages (बन्धनानि—*Daya.*).

9. **Mayah**, fraudulent intellect (छलादियुक्ताः प्रज्ञाः—*Daya.*).

12. **Tuigrivah**, a charming damsel with health and vigour, or the one with strong neck (बहुबलयुक्तः सुन्दरी वा ग्रीवाः यस्य सः—*Daya.*).

In this verse, we have a repetition of बहिष्मते मनवे समं with a slight variation as हविष्मते for बहिष्मते ।

Hymn-3

1. Here it implies that the same one who is Agni (adorable) is also Varuna (venerable), Mitra (friendly) and Indra (resplendent). This is true of the Supreme Self, of a learned person and in certain metaphorical aspects of the sacrificial fire. The word Agni is in vocative, and the rest are *adjectival* nouns.

Agne—O adorable lord, fire, a learned person (कृतविद्यास्वास—*Daya.*).

Varunah, venerable, one who binds the undesirable and unwanted malevolents (दुष्टानां बन्धकृच्छ्रेष्टः—*Daya.*).

Mitrah, one who measures, a friend (सखा—*Daya.*).

Indrah, the resplendent, the giver of prosperity (ऐश्वर्यदाता—*Daya*).

2. **Tvamaryama bhavasi yatkaninam**—You are the Lord of Justice or Aryaman in relation to maidens (*Aryama*—न्यायाधीश—*Daya*); *Kaninam*, to maidens, to the charming (कामयमानानां—*Daya*); also you are the regulator of the ceremony (*aryaman*=nuptial fire—सर्वेषां नियन्तासि—*Sayana*).

Dampati Samanasa Krnosi—You make husband and wife of one mind (विवाहितौ स्त्रीपुरुषौ समानमनस्को दम्पती कृणोषि—*Daya*).

Guhyam nama, mysterious name (रहस्यं नाम—*Daya*); according to *Sayana*, the term refers to Vaisvanara, meaning the friend of all men; a name of fire; or a person belonging to the universal brotherhood.

Gobhih, with milk products (गोभिः । विकारे प्रकृतिसम्बन्धः । गोविकारेः क्षीरादिभिः—*Sayana*); of sense organs (speech etc. वागादिभिः—*Daya*).

3. **Gonam**, of the cows, of the sense organs, of the rays, of the cow products like butter and milk.

Tena pasi guhyam nama gonam—you cherish the mysterious name of the waters (तेन गोनाम् उदकानां गुह्यं नामानि पासि रक्षसि—*Sayana*).

7. **Abhasastim**, accuser or calumninator; to the one who tortures from all sides (प्रभितो हिसाम्—*Daya*).

जही=जहि (अत इयम्योतस्तिष्ठ इति दीर्घः—Panini VI.3.134).

9. **Ava sprdhi pitaram yodhi vidvan putrah yah te**—who like a wise son offers to thee (reverence) as to a father; or, who like a father cherishes you as a son.

10. **Bhuri nama vandamano dadhati**, glorifying thee, he offers the copious oblation (Nama, नाम=नामकं हविः also त्वरीयं नाम—*Sayana*; संज्ञां—*Daya*), *Vandamaneh*=स्तुवन् (*Daya*); praising your various names, he offers oblations.

12. **Agah**, offence (आगः अपराधः—*Daya*).

Yamasah, the directed ones (यामासः यमताः स्तोमाः—*Sayana*); the en-comiums; disciplines consisting of *yama* and *niyama* (यामासः यमनियमान्विताः—*Daya*.).

For *yama* (restraints) and *niyama* (observances), see Patanjala Yoga Sutas, II.29 and 32.

Hymn-4

1. **Pr̥tasutih m̐rtyanam**, hosts of (hostile) men; the army of men (पृतसुतीः सेनाः मर्त्यानां मरणधर्माणां शत्रूणाम्—*Daya*.).

3. **Visam vispatim**, lord of people (विषां प्रजानां विष्पतिः प्रजापालकम्—*Daya*.); the wise lord of human beings (*Wilson*). Compare with *vasupatim vasunam* (verse 1).

Ghr̥tap̐stham, cherished with the oblations of butter, (*ghṛta*=butter; and also water; घृतपृष्ठं घृतमुदकाद्यं पृष्ठं प्राधारे यस्य तम् the one whose base is butter or water—*Daya*.).

6. **Vayah Kṛ̐nvanah tanve svayai**, appropriating the sustenance to your own person; *tanu* in also son, or the *vajamana* in that relation. (वयः जीवनं कृष्वानः तन्वे मरीचय स्वायै स्वकीयाय—*Daya*.; वयः अन्नं, food or sustenance—*Sayana*).

8. **Trisadhastha**, the abider in three regions (of earth, midspace and heaven—(त्रिषु क्षित्वादिषु स्थानेषु स्थित हव्यम्—*Sayana*; pertaining to one who does impartial justice to three—his people, servants and own relations—(त्रिभिः प्रजामृत्यात्मोपैर्जनैः सह पक्षपातरहितस्तिष्ठति, तत्तत्पृष्ठो—*Daya*.).

Sarmana trivaruthena pahi, cherish us with triply-protected felicity (शर्मणा); *sarman* also means a house, (शर्मणा गृहेण—*Daya*.); and then, the phrase would mean—protect us by or in a three-rooted, or three-storied dwelling (त्रिपृष्ठदिव्येण गृहेण नः पाहि रक्ष—*Sayana*).

Trivaruthena may also mean by the three-seasonal favours (prosperity through rainy, winter and summer seasons, त्रिषु वर्षहिमःतप्रीष्ण-समयेषु वरयेन वरेण—*Daya*.).

10. **Amrtatvam**, immortality, perhaps through the unbroken succession of descendants (संतत्यविच्छेद सशपम्—*Sayana*; अमृतत्वं मोक्षभावम्

—*Daya*). Sayana quotes a line from Tait.Br. प्रजामनुप्रजायसे तदु ते मर्त्यमृतम् I.5.5.6; i.e. (when progeny is born after progeny, that verily is the immortality of your mortality).

The verses 10 and 11 are cited in the *Putra-Kameshti* (पुत्रकामेष्टि) sacrifice, i.e. in the one for obtaining sons (Asva. Srauta. II.10).

Hymn-5

1. Three epithets of fire—*agni* (adorable), *susamiddha* (the well-kindled, सुप्रदीप्तम्) and *jatavedas* (one pervading through all born-things, जातवेदसे—जातेषु विद्यमानाय—*Daya*).

2. *Narasamsah*, the one praised by men in general (नरैः संसनीयो-ज्वमग्निः—*Sayana*; यो नरैः प्रशस्यते—*Daya*).

Madhubastah, sweet-handed, or one notable amongst the sweet-handed (मधुहस्तेषु साधुः—*Daya*).

3. *Ilitah* (ईलितः), the one praised, honoured or adored (स्तुतः सन्—*Sayana*; प्रशंसितः—*Daya*).

4. *Urnamradah*, soft as wool (ऊर्णं कम्बलवत् मृदु हे वह्निः—*Sayana*; refers to grass or *Barhis*, *Poa Cynosuroides* (Wilson); anointing or rubbing with the help of servants or protecting persons (य ऊर्णं रक्षकैर्मृद्वनक्ति—*Daya*).

7. *Vatasya patman*, on the path of the wind (पथम् पतन्ति यस्मिन्मार्गे तस्मिन्—*Daya*); or with the swiftness of the wind (पथम् लुप्तोपमेवा । वायुगमन-सदृश गमनार्थम्—*Sayana*); or through the firmament, (वातस्य पथनसाधनेऽन्तरिक्षे गच्छन्ती—*Sayana*).

8. *Ila*, *Sarasvati* and *Mahi*, see earlier notes on I.13.9; 31.11; 142.9 etc.; the three goddesses (तिस्रः देवी).

10. *Vanaspate*, O the protector of forests (वनस्यपालक—*Daya*). Here *Vanaspati* might represent *Agni* or fire, as identified with sacrificial post or *yupa* or the deity presiding over it (यूपाभिमानि देव—*Sayana*).

Guhya namani, the secret names or secret forms, (नामानि नामकानि रूपानि—*Sayana*).

11. **Svaha**, the truthful speech (सत्यावाक्—*Daya*).

This word has several meanings (i) to give an oblation, with the final utterance of the term *Svaha*, स्वाहा (स्वाहा करोमि इति शेषः); to give a good offering (सु + प्राहुतं करोमि); a praise (स्वाहाः कृतेः स्तुतिः—*Sayana*). *Svaha* is also one of the Apris or personification of Agni. (See Nir. VIII.20.21) : Consecrations by saying *Svaha* (hail!). They are so called because the word *Svaha* (स्वाहा) is uttered in them; or speech herself said 'well ho !' (स्वा वागा हेति वा), or one addressed himself, or one offers oblation unsecrated with "*Svaha*" (hail); see Rv. X. 110.11 : Yv; XXIX.36; Av. V.12.11—अस्य हेतुः प्रदिश्वृतस्य वाचि स्वाहाकृतं हविरदन्तु देवाः—May the gods eat the oblation consecrated with the utterance of "स्वाहा Swaha" (hail) in the speech (i.e. the mouth) of this sacrificer, set up in the eastern direction.

Hymn-6

1. **Astam**, the one who is the shelter or asylum of all (सर्वेषां गृहवद् आश्रयभूतम्—*Sayana*); the one utilized or evoked (मस्तं प्रक्षिप्तं प्रेरितम्—*Daya*). See also Yv. XV.41.

2. See also Yv.XV.42.

6. **Pro tye agnayah agnisu visvam pusyanti varyam**—These fires cherish (or nourish—पुष्यन्ति) all that is precious; they give delight. The primary flames of Agni, when manifested in the household fires are the source of riches (*Wilson*).

Hinvire, spread widely (वर्धयन्ति); **invire**, pervade (व्याप्नुवन्ति—*Daya*.)

7. **Ye patvabhiih safanam vraja bhuranta gonam**—They seek postures of the hooved cattle. *Patvabhiih* = पतनैः = by fallings (गमनैः—*Daya*.); *vraja* = वेगान्, speeds. Those rays which by fallings wish for or proceed to the herds of hooved cattle. Perhaps meaning thereby that the spreading flames long for the burnt offerings. (*Wilson and Sayana*).

9. *Ubhe darvi*, the two ladles, perhaps *juhu* (जुहू) and *upābhṛta* (उपभृत्), used for pouring the melted butter upon the fire—see Yv. XV.43.

Hymn-7

1. *Urjah*, of the one with strength and bravery (बलस्य, पराक्रम—युवतस्य—*Daya*); also water (ऊर्जम्=मोजः=तेजः=उदकम् or water—*Maṭṭdhara*).

Urjah-naptre, grandson of water, i.e. fire (water's son is fuel and fuel's son is fire).

3. *R̥tasya rasmima dade*, assumes the radiance of *R̥ta* (eternal law or truth or rite. Sayana accepts the solar ray that is the apprehender or absorber (ग्राहकम्) of water, alluding to the production of rain as the result of burnt-offerings. Again, he becomes endowed with the energy generative of the reward of sacrifice (फलजनकं तेजः, स्वीकृतवान्). Lastly, he accepts the praise which is, as it were, the lustre or ray of the sacrifice (ऋतस्य यज्ञस्य रश्मि रश्मिवत् ग्राहकं स्तवं घाददे स्वीकरोति —*Sayana*).

5. *Bhuma prstha iva ruruhub*, many (भूमा) or much on the back. According to Sayana, *bhuma* signifies off spring or that which is many (बहुभवतीति भूमापत्यम्). According to Dayananda, the word means, "of the earth" (भूमा पृथिव्या).

Prstheva, like the backs of the father (पृष्ठेव पितुः पृष्ठ-देवानिव, as boys mount upon the fathers side so do the flames, यथा पितुरङ्कमारोहन्ति, वदत् —*Sayana*).

7. *Dhanva aksitam data na dati a*—Here *dhanva* is a place without water (धन्व निरुदकप्रदेशम्—*Sayana*; midspace (धन्व अन्तरिक्षम्—*Daya*; also Nigh. I.3).

घ्ना = स्म (निपातस्य चेति दीर्घः) ।

Aksitam, tossed over with grass, timber and the like (तृणकाष्ठ-दिग्निरक्षितम्—*Sayana*); one who is uninjured from all sides (समन्तादनिष्टमिव —*Daya*).

Hirismasruh, one with a golden beard (हिरण्यनिव श्वश्रूणि यस्य नः —*Daya*).

Sucidan, शुचिजन्, the one with pure teeth (शुचयः पवित्रा दन्ता यस्य सः—*Daya.*).

8. **Sucih sma yasma atrivat pra svadhitiya riyate**, Sayana translates *Svadhiti* as an axe (परशुरिव छिन्दन्); Dayananda as one who holds *vajra*, or adamant stone (वज्रधर इव Nigh. II, 20, स्वधितिः=परशुः=वज्रः). *Atrivat*, like an atri (or one free from triple calamities); or it may mean an *eater* or devourer, or an animal eating grass (पति कुनमित्यतिः पशुः। स इव। स यथा तृणानि खादमानो गच्छति तद्वत्—*Sayana*). According to Wilson, *atrivat* applies to the *yajamana* and *svadhiti* to agni.

10. **Isah**, इषः, desires or aspirations (*Daya.*; इषः पद्मन्—*Sayana*).

Nṛn, नृन्—men adept in discipline, law and order (नीतियुक्तान् मनुष्यान्—*Daya.*); encountering and opposing men (विरोधिनः—*Sayana*).

Sasahyat, repeated two times for respect (पुनरुक्तिरादराया—*Sayana*; प्रजोषयन्नाभ्यास दीर्घः—*Daya.*); may Atri (the one always active, सततं पुष्पाची—*Daya.*) overcome hostile (वस्वून्) men (नृन्).

Hymn-8

Sayana considers **Isah** (इषः) as the Rṣi or seer of this hymn (an epithet of the seer *Atri*), in which every verse begins with *Tvamagne* (त्वामग्ने).

2. **Jaradvisam**, poison, or hostile to the old or decayed (जरद विनष्टं शत्रुरूपं विषं यस्य तम्—*Daya.*); the pervader or consumer of old trees; or that by which water is dried up (जरद्विषं जरतां वृक्षाणां व्यापकं जीर्णोदकं वा—*Sayana*).

7. **Abhi jrayansi parthiva vi tisthase—Jrayansi**; speedy works or actions (जयांसि वेगयुक्तानि कर्माणि—*Daya.*); foods (जयांसि अन्नानि—*Sayana*); **Parthiva**, born of earth, or pertaining to earth (and hence, the trees, पार्थिवा पार्थिवान् वृक्षान् or it may be an epithet of *jryansi*, earthly catables—पार्थिवानि चक्षुःरोडाशादिकानि—*Sayana*).

Hymn-9

1. **Jatavedas**, one who knows all that exists; he whom all know to be identical with all that exists. Also he from whom all wealth is generated—*Sayana*.

- (1. जातमुत्पन्नं चराचरं भूतजातं वेत्तीति जातवेदाः;
2. जातानि स्यावरजंगमात्मकानि एनं विदुरिति जातवेदाः;
3. वेद इति घननाम—Nigh. II.10; जातं सर्वं वेदो घनं यस्या सो जातवेदाः).

2. **Ksayasya**, of space, abode (निवासस्य—*Daya*.); the abode of the fruit of good works (क्षियन्ति निवसत्यस्मिन् स्वर्गसाधनफलानीति क्षयः—*Sayana*).

4. **Putro na hvaryanam**, like the son of the crooked-going.

According to *Sayana*, it refers to a young snake (ह्यायणां कुटिलं गच्छतां सर्पाणां; न पुत्र इव बाससर्प इव शिक्षित बासाश्च इव वा); or again, it may mean the colt of rearing and plunging horses, of those not broken in (भास्कन्दितानि गतिविशेषण वक्रगमनामश्वानां etc.); crooked-going (कुटिलानाम्—*Daya*.).

पुरु = पुरु (संहितायामिति दीर्घः) ।

5. **Āmatari** = **Āmatari** ।

Yadamīha trito divi upa-dhmata iva dhamati. Here *trita* refers to three regions, and hence, spread in the three regions; or having gone beyond the three regions. (त्रितः संप्लावकः) or efficient conveyer.

Dhmata, blower (धमनकर्त्ता—blower or conch etc.) or one who fans or blows fire by bellows (कर्मारो यया भस्त्रादिभिरग्निं संवर्द्धयति तद्वत् स्वात्मानं वधंयतीति—*Sayana*).

As the fire blazes from the blast of the blower (शिखीवे ऋमातरि); like the fire, which, in the proximity of one blowing with a bellows, blazes up, so *Agni* sharpens his flames, or of himself adds to their intensity.

Hymn-10

1. Cf Samaveda I.81 (with slight variation in the text of the second half of the stanza).

2. *Krana*, क्राणा = कुर्वन् (driving away the disturbers of sacred rites).

3. *Gayam*, गयम्, = it is a diminutive or *apatya* term; (Nigh.II.2); also, wealth (Nigh. II.10); a dwelling, abode or house (Nigh.III.4).

Maghani, wealth (घनानि—*Daya.*); Nigh. II.10.

Hymn-11

1. *Bharatebhyah*, for the Bharatas; for the sustainers (धारणपोषण-कृद्भ्यो मनुष्येभ्यः—*Daya.*); for the priests (भरतेभ्यः ऋत्विग्भ्यस्तदर्थम्—*Sayana*).

For modifications of Bharata, see also

भरतः — VI.16.4; भरतम् I.96.3

भरतम् — I.109.7; भरतस्य III.53.24; VII.8.4

भरताः — III.33.11; 12; VII.33.6.

Ghrtapratikah, like well-purified butter (*Wilson*); fed with pure butter (घृतप्रतीकः घृतेन प्रज्वन्तिताङ्गः—*Sayana*; घृतमाज्यमुदकं वा प्रतीतिहृत् यस्य सः, the one fond of butter or water—*Daya.*).

Divisprsa, one who touches sky with flames (समप्रसिहेन तेजसा युक्तः—*Sayana*; यो दिवि प्रकाशे स्पृशति तेन—*Daya.*).

2. *Tri-Sadhashte*, in the space, abode or place associated with three (त्रिभिस्तहस्त्र्याने—*Daya.*; *Samidhire*, have first kindled in three places, that is, as in the three fires : *Ahavanīya*, *Garhapatya* and *Daksina*. (माहवनीयादि तत्रापेन त्रिप्रकारेणानेन सह विष्टतीति त्रिपदस्यः—*Sayana*).

3. *Jayase matroh*, born of two mothers, i.e. of two sticks of attrition (यावो भरन्थोः, जायसे प्रादुर्भूतो भवसि—*Sayana*); having been instructed

by respectable like mothers, teachers and preceptor (मातरोः मातृवन्मान्यकार-
कपोविद्याचार्ययोः—*Daya.*).

Udatistha vivasvatah, thou hast sprung from the devotion of the householder. *Vivasvatah*=*yajamana* from *vi*, abiding *vasata*, the chamber where the *agnihotra* and other fire rituals are celebrated (विवस्वतः अग्निहोत्राचार्यं गृहे विशेषेण वसतः यजमानात् उदतिष्ठः उदितोऽभव—*Sayana*).

Dayananda translates *Vivasvatah* as from the Sun.

6. See Yv. XV.28 also.

Angirasah, in the disciplines of knowledge (प्राणा इव विद्यासु—*Daya.*); **guha**, in the super-cavity of intellect (बुद्धौ—*Daya.*).

Hymn-12

1. **Praticim**, the former, the usual (परिचिमां क्रियाम्—*Daya.*; अभिमुखी—*Sayana*).

2. **R̥ta** and **R̥tasya dhara**—here *r̥ta* stands for truth, praise, and water, all the three, (ऋतं स्तोत्रं, ऋतस्य उदकम्; द्वयेन च, सत्त्वानृताभ्यां यत् किञ्चिद् वैदिकं कृतम्—*Sayana*).

To Dayananda, ऋतं सत्यकारणं, ऋतं सत्यं ब्रह्म, ऋतस्य सत्यस्य विज्ञापिका; द्वयेन कार्यकारणात्मकेन, ऋतं उदकम् ।

Dvayena, with both (truth and untruth—*Sayana*; cause and effect—*Daya.*).

4. Wilson gives an alternative interpretation : Who are they that confine their foes ? Who are they that preserve me from uttering untruth ? Who are they that vindicate people from calumny ?—they are, Agni, the worshippers.

To Dayananda, Agni here is the head of a state.

Hymn-13

For verse 4, see Nir. VI.7.

4. **Sapraṭha**, means broad, all round (सप्रपाः सर्वतः पृथुः—Nir. VI.7)
—O Agni, thou art broad all-round.

Hymn-15

2. **Rṭena**, by truth, by God (सत्येन परमात्मना वा—*Daya.*); by praises (स्तोत्रेण—*Sayana*).

Rṭam, truth, the eternal cause or law; truth embodied fire (सत्यरूपमग्निम्—*Sayana*).

Dharayanta, hold (धारयन्ति), also withhold or detain (*Wilson*).

Parame vyoman, in the best place; also thus the fire altar; also best pervading one (प्रकृष्टे व्यापके—*Daya.*).

Nanaksuh, attain or obtain (प्राप्नुवन्ति—*Daya.*; अभिप्राप्नुवन्ति—*Sayana*).
Cf Nigh. II.14.

Jataih ajatan, the unborn with the born; according to *Sayana*, the *unborn* are gods (भजातान् देवान्) and the born are men or priests (जातः मनुष्यैर्ऋत्विभिः) ।

3. **Amhoyuvah tanvah tanvate vi**, enjoy forms exempt from defect; they who remove the sins (यैश्चोपराधं युवन्ति पुण्यं कुर्वन्ति ते); effect the extension of their own persons or bodies (तन्वः शरीरस्य मध्ये तन्वते विस्तृणन्ति—*Daya.*; तन्वः स्वास्तनूः ग्रहोयुवः ग्रहसा वियोजिकाः वितन्वते विस्तारयन्ति—*Sayana*).

Vayah, life (वयः जीवनम्—*Daya.*; the sacrificers who offer food etc. as oblations (वयः हवीरूपमन्नं प्रयच्छन्ति ते यजमानाः—*Sayana*).

4. **Vayo-vayo**, every life (कमनीयं जीवनं जीवनम्—*Daya.*); every kind of food (वायोवः सर्वमन्नम्—*Sayana*).

5. **Tayuh**, a thief (तायुः तस्करः ; चोरः).

Atrim, to the protector (मन्त्रि पालकम्—*Daya.*).

Aspah, be propitious (मत्स्यः प्रीणाय).

Mahah raye citayan, considering (the means of acquiring) great riches.

Guha, secret place; in the intellect (बुद्धौ—*Daya*).

Padam, foot-prints (पदचिह्नम्—*Daya*;) (stolen) articles (पदं द्रव्यं—*Sayana*).

(तामुः न तस्करो यथा गुहायां द्रव्यं धारयन् रक्षति तद्वत् महते धनलाभार्थं सन्मार्गं प्रकाशयन्—*Sayana*).

Secure receptacle is *guha*, the inner cavity in conscience of the *rst*, in which the wealth of knowledge is kept safe, as the thief keeps his stolen articles safe.

Hymn-16

1. **Prasastibhih**, by praises (प्रशस्तिभिः प्रशंसानिः—*Daya*); cf. Samaveda, I.88; *prasastaye*, for the praises).

2. **Bhagab**, the sun (भगः सूर्यः—*Daya*).

4. **Yahvam na**, like the great sun (यह्यं महान्तं सूर्यं, न इव—*Daya*).

Hymn-17

1. **Puruh**, the rational man (पुरुः मननशीलो मनुष्याः—*Daya*); the man, the worshipper (पुरुः मनुष्यः स्तोता—*Sayana*).

2. **Vidharman**, O, the one assigned with specific duties, O, the performer of various functions, (विधर्मन्, विधिष्ठो धर्मो यस्यास्तो विधर्मास्तोता, तस्य संबोधनम्—*Sayana*; विशेष धर्मानुचारिन्—*Daya*).

3. **Asya vasa u arcisa**, by his lustre, verily the sun is luminous (यस्य वै सतो ज्ञे इति the *pada patha*; meaning, by the light of him, he verily). By the light of Agni, the sun becomes luminous (अग्नेः प्रभया आदित्यः अविष्मान् भवति—*Sayana*).

5. **Sagdhī Svastaye**, be alert or competent or prepared for our prosperity (समर्थोभव सुखाय—*Daya*). For prosperity means the wealth

consisting of *Ksema*, cattle etc. (स्वस्तये क्षेमाय पशवादि सक्षेपस्य धनस्य क्षेमार्थं शण्धि त्वां वाचे—*Sayana*).

Hymn-18

1. Cf. Samaveda I.85, with a difference in reading.

Rk, reading विश्वानि यो अमर्त्यो हव्या मर्तेषु रण्यति; (he who, immortal, desires the oblations of mortals).

Sama reading विश्वे यस्मिन्नमर्त्यो हव्यं मर्तसा इण्यति (in or upon all that which is immortal, mortals offer oblations—*Wilson*).

2. **Dvitaya**, to the one who has been receiving knowledge since two births (द्विताय द्वाभ्यां जन्मभ्यां विद्याय प्राप्ताय—*Daya*.); the son of Dvita (द्वितेषुजाय—*Sayana*).

Mrktavahase, मृक्तवाहसे, for the conveyer of pure oblations to gods, (मृक्तं शुद्धं हविर्देवेभ्यो वहति प्रापयतीति मृक्तवाहा—*Sayana*); for the one who receives true spiritual knowledge (मृक्तवाहसे शुद्धविज्ञानप्रापकाय—*Daya*.).

4. **Svarnare**, in the man who is blessed with happiness (स्वर्गरे स्वः सुखेन युक्ते नरे—*Daya*.); in the sacrifice which leads man or the yajamana to heaven (स्वः स्वर्गं नरं यजमानं नयतीति स्वर्गरो यज्ञः, तस्मिन्—*Sayana*).

5. **Asvanam**, of the horses, of all the things which move with speed (वेगवतामग्न्यादि पदार्थानाम्—*Daya*.).

Hymn-19

4. **Jamyoh**, with his two relations; the earth and the light, the two givers or producers of food (जाम्योः पतन्व्यान्नप्रदयोर्धातृपृथिव्योः—*Daya*.); the heaven and the earth (धातृपृथिव्योः—*Sayana*).

Gharma na vaja-jatharah, he who like the mixed oblation, is filled with food; he in whose belly is food like the *gharmah*; like the *pravargya*, the *gharma*, sprinkled with the oblation butter and milk (घर्मो न प्रवर्ग्यं इव वाजजठरः वाजोज्ज्वलं जठरे यस्य सः । घर्मो यथा हव्येनाज्येन पयसासिक्तो वाजजठरस्तद्वत् । हविर्जठर इत्यर्थः—*Sayana*).

Gharma, a vessel, a pitcher; also warm, hot, that of day (Yaska; घर्मः प्रतापः—*Daya*.).

Vaja-jatharah, one which incites hunger in the stomach (वाजो जठरे यस्मात्तः—*Daya*.).

Hymn-20

1. See also Yv. XIX.64 (for वाजसातम, read कव्यवाहन).

Vajasatama, O bounteous giver of food (अत्यस्तमन्नद—*Sayana*); O distributor of knowledge and other articles of sustenance (अतिशयेन वाचानां विज्ञानादिपदार्थानां विभाजक—*Daya*.).

3. **Prayasvantab**, those having food, we the possessors of food (प्रयस्वन्तः बन्धवन्तः एतन्नामका वयम्—*Sayana*); the men of activity and efforts (प्रयस्वन्तः प्रयत्नमानाः—*Daya*.).

Hymn-21

1. **Manusvat**, like the man (मनुष्वत् मनुष्येण तुल्यम्—*Daya*.); like *manu*, मनुष्य —*Sayana*.

Hymn-22

1. **Visvasaman**, the one adept in the entire knowledge of *Saman*, the Vedic chants (विश्वानि सामानि यस्य तत्सम्बुद्धो—*Daya*.); a way of addressing the ṛsi (ऋषेः सम्बोधनमेतत्—*Sayana*).

Atrivat, like Atri, the one possessing a general universal knowledge (अत्रिवत् व्यापक विज्ञप्त्—*Daya*.).

4. **Atrayah**, sons of Atri (अत्रिपुत्राः—*Sayana*); the one free from three blemishes of passion, anger and greed (त्रिभिः कानक्रोधलोभदोषैरहिताः—*Daya*.).

Hymn-23

1. **Rayim**, riches (धनम्—*Daya*.); metaphorically, a son (पुत्रम्—*Sayana*).

Hymn-24

For verse 3, see Nir. V.23.

1, 2. The verses 1 and 2 occur in the Samaveda; see I.448, II.457; II.458; II.459 and Yv. III.25; 15.48.

Varuthyah, born in superb houses or families (वरुथ्यः वरुथेषूत्तमेषु गृहेषु भवः—*Daya.*); that which is to be chosen, to be enjoyed or to be worshipped (वरणीयः, संभजनीयः—*Sayana*); auspicious or favourable to the house or family (वरुथः पुत्रसमूहः or गृह—*Mahidhara*); also endowed or enclosed with circumferences or defences (वरुथैः परिधिभिर्वृतः—*Sayana*); **Vasusravah**, dispenser of food (व्याप्तान्नस्तवम्—*Sayana*); one rich in wealth and prosperity. (घनघान्नमुक्तः—*Daya.*); renowned for wealth (*Mahidhara*).

3. **Urusya no aghavatah samasmat**, उरुष्य नः प्रपञ्चतः, protecting from all attacks; in the quotation, it occurs in the oblique case. The verb *urusyati* means to protect. It occurs in the nominative plural also. (Nir. V.23).

Hymn-25

1. **Ṛsunamputrah**, the son of the Ṛsis; according to *Sayana*, this refers to Agni, since as one generated by the Ṛsis by their rubbing the sticks together which produce fire (ऋषूणाम् ऋषीणां पुत्रः । ऋषिभिर्मन्त्रेण जनितत्वात् पुत्र इत्युपचर्यते—*Sayana*); ऋषूणां=ऋषीणां (मित्र वर्णव्यत्येन इकारस्य स्थानं उत्तमम्—*Daya.*).

2. **Satyah**, true (सत्यं साधुः—*Daya.*); refers to Agni, since he never fails to bestow upon his worshippers the recompense of their devotion, सत्यः भवति, सत्यं प्रतिषधको भवति—*Sayana*).

Mandra-jihvam, to the one with sweet or praiseworthy tongue (मन्द्रा प्रशंसनीया जिह्वा यस्य तम्—*Daya.*); the sweet-tongued (whose speech is delightful), or whose tongue is fascinating (मन्द्रजिह्वं मन्दनजिह्वं । मोदनं जिह्वमिति वा—Nir. VI.26, cf. I.190.1).

5. **Tuvisravastam**, rich in food and rich in fame (प्रतिपद्येन बहुवान्-अवणमुक्तम्—*Daya.*).

Tuvibrahmanan, one who has in his association learned persons, well-versed in the Vedic lore (तुविब्रह्मणां बहवो ब्रह्मणश्चतुर्वेदविदो विद्वांसो यस्य—*Daya*.); abounding in devotion (बहुस्तोत्रम्—*Sayana*).

5, 6. These verses have been traditionally recited at the ritual pertaining to obtain male offspring, the *putrakamesti*.

7. See Yv. XXVI.12, and Samaveda I.86.

8. **Grava iva**, like a cloud (मेघ इव—*Daya*.; Nigh I.10) like a stone (मणिष्व प्रावेव—*Sayana*).

9. **Vasuyavah**, we, who desire wealth (वसूयवः वसुकामा वयम्—*Sayana*; प्राप्तनो वस्त्विच्छवः—*Daya*.).

Hymn-26

1. See Yv. XVII.8; Samaveda II.871.

3. Samaveda II.872; 873.

Hymn-27

In this hymn, we have three Ṛsis, who are said to be three kings : (i) Tryaruna, the son of Trivṛṣṇa; (ii) Trasdasyu, the son of Purukutsa and (iii) Asvamedha, the son of Bharata. Alternatively, Atri alone may be the Ṛsi. All the three names have been taken from the Text.

Tryaruna : त्रिऽअरुणः—V.27.1; 3; त्रिऽअरुणाय V.27.2.

Trasdasyu तसदस्यवि —VIII.49.10; तसदस्युः IV.38.1; V.27.3; VIII.19.36; तसदस्युम्—I.112.14; IV.42.8; 9; VII.19.3; VIII.8.21; 36.7; 37.7; X.150.5; तसदस्योः V.33.8.

Asvamedha : अश्वमेधस्य V.27.5; अश्वमेधाय V.27.4; अश्वमेधे V.27.6.

In the entire R̥gveda, the word *asvamedha* occurs only at these three places; i.e. in the present hymn.

1. **Traivṛṣṇa**, one who showers in the three (regions) (त्रैवृष्णः यस्मिन्नु वर्षति स एव—*Daya*.).

Tryeruna, the one who possesses three qualities or attributes (तत्रोज्जना गुणा यस्य तः—*Daya*.).

Asurah, ravelling with *pranas* (breaths) (असुषु प्राणेषु रममाणः—*Daya*.); strong (असुरः बलवान्—*Sayana*).

2. **Hari**, हरी, two horses (द्वयो—*Sayana*).

3. **Trasdasyu**, one terror to thieves (तस्मिन्नि दस्त्वयो यस्मात्तः—*Daya*.).

Tuvijatasya, outcome of many, born of many (बहुव पत्वस्य—*Sayana*).

4. **Asvamedhaya**, for national service, (अश्व=राष्ट्र) also, for the one readily purified, (अश्वमेधाय, अश्वपवित्राय—*Daya*.).

5. **Asvamedhasya**, pertaining to crafts of administration of an empire (चक्रवर्तिराज्यपालनस्य विद्यायाः—*Daya*.).

6. **Asvamedhe**, in the administration of a State (अश्वमेधे राज्य-पालनाख्ये व्यवहारे—*Daya*.).

Hymn-28

The *Rsi* of this hymn is Visvavara, a woman, belonging to the family of Atri; her name is also derived from the word which appears in the verse.

1. **Visvavara**, one who repels all sins (सर्वमपि पापं रूपं शत्रु वारयित्री एतन्नामिका—*Sayana*); one who brings the entire creation into appearance (या विश्वं वृणोति सा—*Daya*.).

Ghrtaci, night (Nigh.I.7); the one with ladle (घृताची घृताच्या खुचा सहिता—*Sayana*; हविषा घृताची, bearing the ladle with oblation (पुरोडाशादि लक्षणैः युक्तया घृताच्या खुचा सहिता—*Sayana*).

In respect to this, Wilson rightly remarks : "The whole passage is remarkable, whether this explanation is admitted or not, as it leaves no doubt that a female is described as discharging the offices of a

priest. Worshipping the gods at dawn with hymns and oblations : besides *visvavara* (विश्ववारा) being feminine the epithets *praci* (प्राची), *Ilana* (ईलाना) and *ghrtaci* (घृताची), are of the same gender.

The word *visvavara* is not a proper noun as is seen from its several modifications in the R̥gvedic passages :

- विश्वज्वार —I.30.10; VII.5.8; 16.5; 92.1; VIII.46.9; IX.91.5.
- विश्वज्वारा —III.17.1; VII.97.4; IX.88.3; X.149.4.
- विश्वज्वारम् —I.48.13; V.4.7; VI.37.1; 49.4; VII.7.5; 10.4; 84.4; VIII.71.3; X.150.3.
- विश्वज्वारस्य —III.36.10; V.44.11; VI.23.10.
- विश्वज्वारा —III.43.3; V.25.1; 80.3.
- विश्वज्वारा (all anudatta accents)—VII.70.1.
- विश्वज्वाराः —I.123.12; VII.91.6; IX.97.26.
- विश्वज्वाराणि —VI.5.1.
- विश्वज्वाराणिः —VI.22.11.
- विश्वज्वारे (all anudatta accents) —I.113.19; III.61.1; VII.77.5.
- विश्वज्वारे इति विश्वज्वारे—VII.7.3.
- विश्वज्वार्यः —VIII.19.11.
- विश्वज्वार्यम् —VIII.22.12.

3. *Sam jaspatyam su-yamam a kṛnuṣva*, preserve in concord the relation of man and wife; make perfect the well-connected duty of wife and husband; an *appropriate prayer* for a female Yv.XXX.12 (*Wilson*).

6. *Adhvare*, in the sacrifice; in the factory or industry (अध्वरे क्षित्पादिग्न्यवहारे—*Daya.*).

Vṛnidhvam havyavahanam, select the bearer of oblation to the gods. According to ritualists, there are three kinds of sacrificial fires : *havyavahanah* (हव्यवाहन) which receives the oblation intended for gods or Nature's bounties; the *Kavyavahanah* (कव्यवाहन), that intended for the *pitrs*, and the *Saharaksas* (सहस्रक्षस्) that intended for the Asuras. It is expected that the worshipper would be selecting the first one (तयो वा नमन्यो हव्यवाहनो देवानां कव्यवाहनः पितॄणां सहस्रक्षा असुराणाम् । एतस्मान्नसन्ते मां वरिष्यन्ते मामिति वृष्णीष्व हव्यवाहनमिवाह य एव देवानां तं वृणीते—Taitt. Samhita II.5.8.6).

Hymn-29

1. **Tri-aryama**, the convener or the planner of three (त्रीणि व्यवस्थापकः—*Daya.*); three effulgences (त्रीणि अर्यमा अर्यमानि यानि तेजांसि सन्ति—*Sayana*).

Tri-rocana, the three enlightening ones (त्रीणि प्रकाशकानि—*Daya.*); three luminaries, the sun, wind and fire (त्रीणि रोचनारोचमानानि वाय्वग्निसूर्यात्मकानि—*Sayana*).

3. **Manuse gah avindat**, obtains cattles for the offerer; here *gah* (गाः) may also mean rain (गाः धेनुवृष्टितक्षणान्युदकानि वा—*Sayana*), or even speech (गोः=गाः=धेनुः=speech, *Nigh. I.11*).

Ahim, cloud, or serpent of nescience.

4. **Danavam**, the evil-doer, a mischievous person (दुष्टप्रकृतिम्—*Daya.*); *Vṛtra*, the son of Danu (*Sayana*).

5. **Etase**, एतस्ये, for *Etasa*; like a rider on the horse (एतस्ये अश्वेऽश्वक इव). See also I.54.6; 61.5; 121.13; 168.5; II.19.5; IV.17.14; 30.6.

6. **Nava-navatim**, ninety-nine; see also I.32.14; 53.9; 54.6; II.14.4; 19.6; reference to the destroying of ninety-nine cities of Sambara, the Asura.

Traistubhena, by the *Tristup* metre of 44 syllables. This verse 6, is *hieft-tristup*, with 43 syllables; also by the praise of three varieties (त्रैष्टुभेन त्रिधास्तुतेन—*Daya.*).

7. **Mahisa tri satani**, protects three hundred buffaloes or big animals [महिषा महिषाणां महतां पशूनां त्री गतानि (रक्षेत्)—*Daya*].

Dayananda paraphrases the verse thus :

ययानिन्द्रिन्द्र स्तूयमस्य (जगतो मध्ये) त्री (भुवनानि प्रकाशयन्) सरांसि पिबद् वृत्रहृषाम सुतं
सोममपचत् (तया) सखा कृत्वा लब्धे साकं मनुषो महिषा त्री गतानि (रक्षेत्) ।

Just as Agni (fire) and Indra (the sun) very readily in the midst of these three worlds give light and drink up the water of all the ponds and for the destruction of *Vritra* (the clouds) quaff or ripen the extracted Soma, in the same way, you, the friend, in lieu of friendship offer protection to the three hundred big animals.

8. Here again, we have a similar reference.

Mah, मा, make or create (रचये—*Daya*).

Mahisanam agbah mah, महिषाणां अघः मा, make the animals who are not to be killed (महिषाणां महतां पदार्थानां अघः अहन्तव्यः माः रचये—*Daya*).

Sayana interprets quite contrary to the above; you had eaten the flesh of the three hundred buffaloes (महिषाणां पशूनां माः मांसानि, अघः भक्षितवानसि) ।

Ahim, = *vṛtram* = clouds; also nescience.

9. For *usanas*, उशनस्, and *Kutsa*, कुत्स; see earlier references.

Usana, the one desirous of something (उशना कामयमानः—*Daya*; उशना काव्यश्च—*Sayana*).

Kutsena, by determined and firm actions, like an adamant stone (कुत्सेन वज्रेणैव दृढेन कर्मणा—*Daya*).

10. **Anasah dasyun amṛnah**, confounded the mouthless (i.e. dumb or voiceless) mischievous persons.

Anasah, (अनासः आस्यरहितान् । आस्यशब्देन शब्दो लक्ष्यते । अशब्दान् मूकान्—*Sayana*). **Dasyus** are perhaps those who are unable to pronounce words properly (cf. *mlecha*).

11. *Gaurivitch*, गौरिवीते, of the preceptor (यो गौरीं वाचं ज्येति स; गौरीति वाङ्माम्, Nigh. I.11—*Daya*).

Piprum, egoistic tendency; the pervading (पिप्रं व्यापकम्—*Daya*).

Vaidathinaya, for the intellectual snob, for the enemies pertaining to a battle (वैदथिनाय विद्विना संघामकर्त्ता निमित्ताय—*Daya*).

Rjiswa, रजिष्वा, for the straightforward one; one resembling a dog (रजिः सरतश्चासौ श्वः च—*Daya*).

Hymn-30

1. *Haribhyam*, by speed and attraction (वेगार्कषणाम्याम्—*Daya*); by ones own car, by two horses; (हरिभ्यां स्व वाहनाभ्यां, शस्वाभ्याम्—*Sayana*).

Sukharatham, an easy chariot, a chariot for composts (सुखाय रथसुखरथस्तम्—*Daya*); a car with pleasant eye-door (सुखरथं शोभनाशङ्करः रथो यस्य स सुखरथः—*Sayana*). *Sayana* gives an etymology of *sukha* (सुख) and thence of *Sukharatha*; the one which in a beautiful way digs, carves or draws lines on ground—a chariot of this type (सुष्ठु खनति लिखति भूमिमिति वा सुखम् । तादृग् रथम्) see Nir. III.13 (सुहृत् खेभ्यः खः पुनः खनते). From what root is *sukham* (happiness) derived? It is so called, because it is useful for the senses (खं, kham, senses). *Kham* (sense) again is derived from the root *khan*, to dig).

6. *Maruts*, cloud-bearing winds; breaths; mortals; and also praises (मरुतः महद् खन्ति वन्दतीति स्तोतारः—*Sayana*).

7. *Namuci* ever-clinging evils.

Gatam, happiness (गतुं सुखम्—*Sayana*); earth and speech (गतुं भूमिं वाणीं वा—*Daya*).

Manave, for a righteous man (मननशीलाय धार्मिकाय मनुष्याय—*Daya*).

Sayana identifies *Manu* with the Rsi of the Hymn, मनवे मनुचिनाप-हृत गोघनाय महम्—to me whose wealth of cattle has been carried off by *Namuci*.

For *Namuci*, see I.53.7; II.14.5; V.30.7; 8; VI.20.6; VII.19.5; VIII.14.13 and X.131.4.

8. *Rodesi*, from earth to heaven; from body to mind.

10. *Gavah*, rays (गावः किरणाः—*Daya*.).

Vatsaih, the separated ones (वत्सैः विमुक्ताः—*Daya*.; विदुवाः—*Sayana*).

Indrah—the sun (*Daya*.).

11. *Babhrudhutih*, effused by Babhru (बभ्रुणामिषुताः—*Sayana*); cleansed by the enlightened ones or by learned persons (बभ्रुभिर्दुर्गतविद्यैर्धूताः पवित्रोक्ताः—*Daya*.).

12. *Rusama*, रुसमा, brilliant sages; the one who turns out the tormentors (ये रुसान् हिंसकान् मित्वति—*Daya*.).

According to *Sayana*, the *Rusamas* are the people of the same name, the principality of *Rnancaya* (ऋणञ्चय).

15. *Gharmascit*, like the hot one, like the Mahavira pitcher or ewer.

Ayasmayah, golden; shining like gold (हिरण्यमिव तेजोमयः—*Daya*.).
Ayas is usually iron, but here it means gold.

Hymn-31

For verse 2, see Nir. III.21.

2. *Amenan cit*, those who are without women; mena (मेना)= woman (मेना शब्दः स्त्रीवाची, अपगतस्त्री कांश्चित्—*Sayana*); those who are without alluring women (अविद्यमाना मेना प्रक्षेपकव्यैः स्त्रियो येषां तात्—*Daya*.).

Janivatah, one with wife (जनिवतः जयावतः—*Sayana*); progenitor (जन्मवतः—*Daya*.).

Menah (मेना) and *gnah* (ग्ना) are synonyms of women.

Striyah (स्त्रियः) is derived from $\sqrt{\text{स्त्रि}}$, meaning to be bashful (स्त्रियः स्त्रियावतेरपक्षपणकर्मणाः)।

Menah (मेनाः) are so called because men honour them (मेना मानयन्तेनाः).

Gnah (ग्नाः) are so called because men go to them (ग्ना गच्छन्तेनाः)
—Nir. III.21.

4. For *Rbhus* and *Tvasṭr* see earlier notes.

5. For *marut* and *dasyu*, see earlier notes.

7. For *susna* (शुष्णः), see I.11.7; 33.12; 51.6; 56.3; 63.3; 101.2; 103.8; 121.9; 10. II.14.5; 19.6; III.31.8; IV.16.12; 30.13; V.29.9; V.31.7; 32.4; petty tendency; also the name of an Asura—*Sayana*.

Susnasya, of strength; (वसत्य—*Daya*.).

8. **Yadu**, a hard working man (यदवे मनुष्याम्—*Daya*.); a king of the name Yadu—*Sayana*.

Turvasu; strong man (सद्योवशकरण समर्थाय, one who can easily take possession—*Daya*.).

Susna, शुष्ण, petty tendency.

Kutsam, intellectual; also the spoiled one (कुत्सितम्—*Daya*.).

Indra, resplendent.

Usanas, men of a genius (उशना कामयमानाः, the one with aspirations —*Daya*.).

9. **Karne vehantu**, here *Sayana* interprets *karna* (कर्णः) as praiser or *yajamana* (स्तोत्राणि कृणोति करोतीति कर्णः—*Sayana*); in that by which one does (कुर्यन्ति येन तस्मिन्—*Daya*.).

10. **Avasyuh**, one desirous of protecting himself (आत्मनोज्जो रक्षणमिच्छुः—*Daya*.).

Tavisim, army (तविषीं सेनाम्—*Daya*.); strength or force (तविषीं बलम्—*Sayana*).

11. **Etasah**, एतसः, see earlier notes (अश्वोऽश्वकमिव, as horse to the horse rider—*Daya*.).

Uparam, like a cloud (उपरं मेघमिव—*Daya*.; Nigh. I.10; a synonym for cloud).

Jujuvansam, going rapidly or with great speed (जुजुवांसं वेगेन गच्छन्तं, *Sayana*; अतिवयेन वेगवन्तम्—*Daya*.).

Paritakamyayam; in the battle (परितोगच्छन्त्यस्यां भटाः इति परितक्म्या संग्रामः—*Sayana*); in the night,—pleasing from all the sides (परितः सर्वतस्तक्मानि भवन्ति यस्यां तस्यां रात्रौ—*Daya*.).

Bharat cakram etasah, *Etasa* has borne away the wheel (*etasah*, एतसः, is used for *etasaya*, एतसाय; he or *Indra* has taken wheel for *Etasa*—*Sayana*).

Hymn-32

For verses 1 and 6, see Nir. X.9 and VI.3 respectively.

1. **Danavana**, wicked persons (दुष्टजनम्—*Daya*.).

Khani, खानि, the holes or interstices of the clouds (मेघस्योदक निर्गमनद्वाराणि—*Sayana*; sense-organs (इन्द्रियाणि—*Daya*.).

3. *Sayana* refers to an allegory; from the body of *Vṛtra* sprang the more powerful *asura*, named *Susna* (शुष्णः); allegorically, it means that the exhaustion of clouds was followed by a severe draught, which *Indra*, or the atmosphere had then to remedy.

4. **Danavasya bhamam**, from the wrath fire of the wicked (दुष्टजनस्य क्रोधम्—*Daya*.). To *Sayana*, here the *danava* is *Vṛtra*, and *bhamam*, his wrath (क्रोधवाचि भामभन्देन क्रोधादुत्पन्नः शुष्णात्तुरो लक्ष्यते), from which arose another demon named as *Susna*; who was also subsequently killed by *Indra*.

Miho napatam, mihah is by the rain; or showering; *napatam*, the one who cannot fall (अपतनशीलम्—*Daya.*) or the protector of showering cloud. (मेघस्य नपातं पातारं रक्षितारम् । अत्र नपाच्छब्दः पातरि वर्तते;—see “प्राणो वै तनून्पात्स हि तन्वः पाति”—*Ait. Br. II.4*; the vital air is called the body—preserver, for it preserves the limbs—*Sayana*).

8. **Apadam**, footless, atram, measureless, **mrđhravacam**, speechless or with offensive or evil speech (अत्रम् योजति सर्वं व्याप्नोति तम् । मृध्रवाचं हिंसितवाचम्;—*Daya.*; हिंसितवाग्निद्रियम्, जुष्माभिमतम्—*Sayana*).

Hymn-33

1. **Samaryyah**, associated with the Maruts; the one fond of wars (संग्रामिच्छुः—*Daya.*); an epithet of Indra.

Sayana gives three interpretations : (i) together with mortals, i.e. with the worshippers (मर्त्यैः स्तोत्रभिः सहितः); (ii) with the Maruts and other combatants (सहस्रियमाणैर्युध्यमानैः मरुदादिभिः), and (iii) fit for or suited to war (समराहः).

3. See also Yv. X.22, with certain variations chiefly in the first hemistich.

5. **Ahisusma**, the sun or sun-like; who dries up the cloud (योऽहि मेघं शोषयति स सूर्यस्तद्वद् वर्त्तमानः—*Daya.*); the one of all pervading strength; all powerful Indra (महिरयनात् । सर्वतो व्याप्त बलेन्द्र, त्वदनुग्रहात्—*Sayana*).

Prabhṛthah is highly acceptable (प्रकर्षेण घर्त्तव्यः—*Daya.*); or war or sacrifice (संग्रामः, यज्ञः); **bhagah**, one with fortunes (ऐश्वर्यं योगः—*Daya.*).

May a faithful follower or ally (सत्त्वाभूत्यादिः) come like **Bhaga**, as an associate (वाचः संगन्ता) to be commanded (हव्यः) in sacrifices or deified (प्रतिमटेराह्वातव्यः) in battles; as the divine **Bhaga** comes as our ally, so may followers and others come (*Wilson*).

6. **Nṛtamanah**, dancing (नृत्यन्—*Daya.*), or exulting (*Wilson*).

Enim rayim, white riches, or riches worth having; brilliant wealth (एनीम् एतवर्णां श्वेतवर्णान्—*Sayana*; प्राप्सुं योग्याम्—*Daya.*; रयि धनम्).

9. **Vidathasya**, of the one worth having (तन्वुं योग्यस्य—*Daya*.); a king of this name—*Sayana*).

See V.29.11, a verse in the earlier hymn, *vidathin*, as the son of Marutasva and father of Rjisvan (वेदविनाय)—*Wilson*. But no king of the name of *Vidatha* is anywhere mentioned even in the subsequent mythological literature.

Cyavatanah, in the state of being obtained; bestowing upon (आवयन् सन्); *Dadanah*, giving to me.

10. **Dhvanyasya**, one expert in sounds (ध्वनिषु कुशलस्य—*Daya*.).

Lasmanyasya, one born with noble indications (सुलक्षणेषु भवस्य—*Daya*.).

Sayana regards *Dhvanya* as the son of *Laksmāna*,—unknown figures.

Hymn-34

For verse 3, see Nir. VI.19.

2. **Sahasra-bhr̥stim**, the one causing thousands of destructions (भृष्टयः भञ्जनानि दहनानि यस्मात्तम्—*Daya*.); thousand-edged (*Wilson*); or of unbounded lustre (अपरिमित तेजाः—*Sayana*).

3. **Tatanustim**, one who desires an extended race (विस्तारं—extension—*Daya*.; तत्तं धर्मसंतति नृदति वष्टि कामयते कामानिति ततनुष्टिः, he who desires an extended race or *santati* सन्तति—*Sayana*).

Tanu-subhram, one whose body is clean (शुभ्रानुद्धा तनूयस्य तम्—*Daya*.; or is decorated with ornaments etc. शोभनीया अलंकारादिभिः—*Sayana*).

Both the above terms relate to a self-cherisher not offering sacrifice (तादृशं स्वपोषक अयज्वानम्—*Sayana*).

4. **Na atah isate** (न अतः ईषते), does not turn away; does not destroy (न निषेधे अतः ईषते हिनस्ति—*Daya*.; does not fear, or does not go from hence—न विभेति न गच्छति वा—*Sayana*).

Sayana discusses in the light of this verse the consequences of a man who has committed such crimes as of killing father, mother or brother. Indra does not forsake such a sinner, for verily he desires his offerings. The doctrine enunciated here is that devotional merit compensates for want of moral merit; the converse is also implied by a passage quoted by Sayana where it is mentioned that sanctity (or high moral values) does not compensate for want of devotion. Indra says that he gave to the wolves the *Paulomas* in the firmament, and the *yatis*, the *kalakanjyas* and *arunamukhas* upon this earth, since these *yatis* did not worship him or praise him (इन्द्रो यतीन् सातावृकेभ्यः प्रायच्छत् भन्तरिक्षे पौलोमान् पृथिव्यां कालकञ्ज्यान् अरुणमुखीन् सातावृकेभ्यः प्रायच्छत्) ।

9. **Satrim**, सत्रिम्, dispeller of distress (दुःखविच्छेदकम्—*Daya*).

Agnivesim, अग्निवेशिम्, the dynamic one, energetic one, who enters into the fire (योगिन् प्रवेशयति तम्—*Daya*).

Hymn-35

2. **Catasrah**, the four behaviours, physical, vital, mental and spiritual realms; on sociopolitical plane, the four policies of the state, *sama* (साम)—reconciliation, *dama* (दाम)—allurement of riches and posts, *danda* (दण्ड), force, terror and brain-washing; and *bhada* (भेद), i.e. division or divide and rule (*Daya*); or four classes of people, the Brahmana, Ksatriya, Vaisya and Sudra.

Tisrah, the behaviours pertaining to three realms physical, vital and mental; three classes in state—assemblies (councils), people and army (सभा, प्रजा, सेना—*Daya*); or three classes of people, the *dvijas*,—the Brahmana, Ksatriya and Vaisya; or three worlds.

Panca, the domain of five organs of senses; the five elements—earth, water, fire, air and ether, or the five classes of men—the *Panca janyas* or *Panca-Ksitinam* (the four *varnas* and the out-caste or unclassified; or Deva, Pitṛ, Manusya, Gandharva and Raksas).

5. **Adrivah**, like a cloud; like the sun (मेघयुक्त सूर्यवद् राजमान—*Daya*; bolt-like Indra वज्रवर्दिन्द्र—*Sayana*).

Satakṛato sarvaratha, सर्वरथा, by the chariot which goes everywhere, (सर्वत्रग्याप्तेन रथेन—*Sayana*); the one to whom all the chariots belong,

such a Satakratu, Indra or one with supreme wisdom (सर्वैरया सर्वैरया यानानि यस्य सः, सतक्रतो समितप्रज्ञ—*Daya*.).

7. *Ava ratham*;—here *यवा* = *यव*, to protect (निपातस्य चेति दीर्घः); protect the chariot (*Daya*.); here *ratham* may mean a son also (रथं रंहणस्वभावं वा पुत्रम्—*Sayana*).

Hymn-36

2. *Hanu*, हनु, lips, mouth, or jaws; or mouth and nose (मुखनासिके—*Daya*.).

Sipre, this also means a pair of jaws; since *hanu* and *sipra* mean the same, the latter may be taken as qualifying the former and hence *Sipre* is beautiful (शिप्रे सुतोभिते—*Daya*.); or *hanu* means the one assisting in destroying or means of destruction (हन्त साधनम्—*Sayana*).

3. *Amateh it*; devoid of intelligence (अमतेः निर्बुद्धेः इत् एव—*Daya*.); also through dread of poverty (दारिद्र्यादस्तोतुर्दः; अमति=अस्तोतु, the one who does not praise or worship, also अमति दारिद्र्यम्=poverty).

Hymn-37

For verse 1, see Nir. V.7.

1. *Svancah*, स्वञ्चाः, having a good gait, i.e. one whose manner of walking is good. Sacrificed to from all sides, the butter-backed (पृतपृष्ठः) having a good gait (स्वञ्चाः)—Nir. V.7; fire (स्वञ्चाः स्वञ्चनोऽग्निः—*Sayana*).

Ghr̥taprsthah, butter-backed, or water-backed; glistening with oblations, (पृतपृष्ठः प्रदीप्तज्वालो पृतयुक्तपृष्ठप्रदेशो वा—*Sayana*).

Hymn-39

For verses 1 and 2, see Nir. IV.4 and IV.18 respectively.

1. *Mehanasti* (मेहना + अस्ति; also मे + इह + नास्ति); *mehana* is rain (दृष्टिः—*Daya*.); *mehana* is also praiseworthy (महनीयम्—*Sayana*); *tvadatam*, to be given to you, *radhah*, wealth (धनम्).

"O Indra, wielder of the thunderbolt, give us whatever excellent treasure there is, with both hands bring that wealth to us, O treasure-knower."—Whatever (excellent), glorious and abundant wealth (चायनीयं नहनीयं धनमस्ति) there is, O Indra, or that which I do not possess here (यन्म इह नास्तीति वा), as consisting of three words (मे + इह + ना), that wealth should be given to us, O wielder of thunderbolt.

Adrih (thunderbolt) is so called because it splits mountains or it may be derived from $\sqrt{\text{अद}}$, to eat (Nir. IV.4).

2. **Akupasasya davane** (अकूपारस्य दावने) in the sence of unlimited food (अकूपारस्य अकुत्तितः पारो यस्य तस्य, दावने दावे—*Daya*.; दावने दाने—*Sayana*).

"May we obtain (lit. know) that unlimited gift of thine."—The Sun is called *akupara* also, i.e. unlimited, because it is immeasurable; the ocean too is called *akupara*, i.e. unlimited, because it is boundless. A tortoise is also called *akupara* (अकूप + अर), because it does not move in a well.—Nir. IV.18.

3. **Ditsu**, the one anxious to give (दातुमिच्छु—*Daya*.; दानेच्छु—*Sayana*); bountiful.

5. **Atrayah**, free from threefold pains or from evils arising out of the three qualities (satva, rajas and tamas). To *Sayana*, the sons of Atri.

Hymn-40

For verse 4, see Nir. V.12.

2. **Vṛṣa**, (वृष) the showerer, either of happiness or of Soma juices.

Grava, pressing stones, or clouds (Nigh. I.10).

4. **Rjisin** from *rju*, straight; straightforward or simple (सरलादि युक्त—*Daya*.); acceptor of spiritless libation (सवनद्वयेऽभिषुतस्य गतसारस्य सोमस्य, तृतीयं सवने धाम्पायामिषुतः योऽस्ति स ऋजीषः सोमः । सोऽस्यास्तीत्यृजीषी—*Sayana*; i.e. that which has been offered at the morning and midday ceremonies, and of which the residue is now presented at the evening sacrifice—*Wilson*).

The foaming *Soma* (ऋजीषी सोमः) : that which remains as residue after Soma is strained is called *rjīsam*, ऋजीषम्, i.e. something, which is

thrown away, hence Soma is called *rjisi*, ऋजीषी, i.e. containing the residue. This is also used as an epithet of Indra (अथाप्येन्द्रो निगमो भवति): *rjisi*, the wielder of thunderbolt (ऋजीषी वज्री)—Nir. V.12 (see also Av. XX.12.7).

5. **Aksetravīt**, the one who does not know the place where he is actually standing; one not familiar with geometry (यः क्षेत्रं रेखागणितं न वेत्ति—*Daya*.).

Svarbhanauh, one which gets light from the sun; of the form of lightning (यः स्वरादित्यं भाति स विद्यद्भूय—*Daya*.).

6. **Svarbhanoh**, of the nescience; of the light of the sun (आदित्य प्रकाशस्य—*Daya*.). In latter literature, it is the name of *Rahu* also (the shadow), the personified ascending node and the causer of an eclipse.

The word *Svarbhanuh* occurs only in the four verses of the Rgveda V.40.5; 6; 8; 9).

Turiyena, the fourth innate instinct (चिद्वक्त्रि) beyond physical, mental and intellectual, also by his *fourth* sacred prayer, i.e. by the four verses of this hymn (5 to 8).

Hymn-41

1. **De** (दे), = *Deva* (with an omission of a syllable *va*, permissible in the Vedic texts—अत्र छान्दसो वर्णलोपो वेति व लोपः, सुपां सुलुगिति विभक्त्यर्लुक्—(Panini VII.1.39).

2. According to Sayana, the divinities worthy of praise are of two groups: *Stotrabhajah* (स्तोत्रभाजः) who share praises, and *havirbhajah* (हविर्भाजः), who share oblations. In this verse, we have the divinities of the first category.

3. **Divah Asuraya**, of the aspirants for clouds (कामयमानस्य मेघाय—*Daya*.); for the celestial destroyer of life, i.e. Rudra (दिवः शोतमानाय, असुराय प्राणपहर्त्रे रुद्राय—*Sayana*); or for the celestial *asura*, or for the life giver, the sun or air (सुलोकसम्बन्धिनेऽसुराय प्राणदात्रे सूर्याय वायवे वा—*Sayana*).

4. **Trita**, triple bounty (fire on the earth, wind in midspace, and the sun in heaven); or the one present on the earth, in the water,

and the midspace (त्रिषु विस्तृदकान्तरिक्षेषु वधमानः—*Daya.*); also an epithet of *vayu* pervading in three regions.

9. **Parvatah**, clouds.

Tuje nah tane, in liberal donations (तुजे दाने अस्मभ्यं तने विस्तीर्णं—*Daya.*; तने विस्तृते तुजे दाने—*Sayana*; also *tuje* may also mean son, and *tane* grandson—तनेति पुत्रनाम (षष्ठ्यर्थे चतुर्थी) पुत्रस्य दान इत्यर्थः i.e. donation of a son; नः तुजे पुत्रे तने तत्पुत्रे—*Sayana*).

Vasavo na virah, the world-like heroes (वसवः जगतो वासवितारः वीराः न वीरा इव—*Sayana*; वीराः प्रज्ञाशरीरवत्तुक्ताः, one accomplished physically and intellectually—*Daya.*).

10. **Bhummyasya**, either of earth; or of midspace, and then *vyśnah bhummyasya garbham*, the embryo of the firmamental rain (otherwise earth fertilizing rain).

12. **Puru na subhrah**, bright as cities (नगराणि इव श्वेताः—*Daya.*).

14. **Girah**, praises (स्तुतयः—*Sayana*); cultured speech (सुचिञ्जिता वाचः—*Daya.*).

Dyavah, द्यावः, noble aspirations (सत्याः कामाः—*Daya.*); द्योतमानाः स्वप्रतिपादार्थं प्रकाशिन्यः ।

Candra-agrah, चन्द्रऽग्रहः, the joy-bestowing, or gold-bestowing (चन्द्रं सुवर्णमानन्दो वाञ्छे यातां ताः—*Daya.*; आह्लादनं हिरण्यं वाञ्छे यातां ताः—*Sayana*, i.e. *candra* also means gold, besides joy).

15. **Varutri**, वरुत्री, protectress (अस्मदुपद्रव वारयित्री भवति, i.e. what or who keeps off oppression upon us—*Sayana*; वरसुखमदा—*Daya.*).

16. **Ahirdudhnyah**, clouds born in firmament (अहिः मेघः, दुग्धः कान्तरिक्षेभव—*Nigh. I.3.*).

17. **Nirṛti**, see earlier notes, the earth (*Nigh. I.1*); mother earth.

19. **Ila**, mother-earth; adorable speech; *urvasi*, charming as lightning; or divine speech (उरवो बहवो वसो भवन्ति यया सा वाणी । उर्वशीति पदनाम —Nigh. IV.2).

Nadibhibh, नदीभिः, by channels, nerves and veins, or rivers.

20. A verse of 10 syllables, known as *yajust-pankti* (याजुषी पंक्तिः); also known as *viraja* of one hemistich.

Hymn-42

3. **Kavitamam kavinam**, most wise amongst the wise.

Kavi is **Kranta-darshin** (क्रान्तदर्शिनः); a *seer* (or shewer) of the secret realms (Wilson translates the word as prophet, as if he can forecast the future too).

4. See Yv. II.15 with slight variations.

5. **Rbhuksah**, the same as **Rbhus**, here, though the term usually stands for Indra, enlightened sages (ऋषयः महान्—*Daya*.).

Purandhibh, the same as *vibhu*, which completes the triad in this verse (*Rbhu*, *vibhu* and *vaja*) along with *vaja* (पुरन्धिः पूर्वी बह्वी धीर्यस्य सा, the one with immense wisdom—*Daya*.).

6. **Marutvatah**, lord of vital principles (the one in the company of the distinguished wise persons, प्रसूतित विद्वत्सूतस्य—*Daya*.).

9. **Suryat yavayasva**, put apart from the sun (सूर्यात् सवितुः यावयस्व मन्यत्रितान् कुर्व—*Daya*.); i.e. condemn them to darkness.

Brahma-dvisah, the adversaries of prayers, mantras, of the Veda, of the supreme God, or of the Brahmanas (the intellectual class).

15. **Marutasya**, (मास्तस्य), of cloud-bearing rain.

Rudrasya, Cosmic vitality (प्राणादि रूपस्य वायो, the vital breathings —*Daya*.).

17. A fragmentary verse, गान्धारी पञ्चिस्तुतः, the same repeated in Hymn 43.16; a verse of 10 syllables.

Hymn-43

1. **Sapte**, sapta means seven from its *sarpana* (सप्त सर्पणस्वभावाः सप्तसृष्टा संख्या—Nir. IV.26).

Sapta viprah—Divine speech in seven metres (*Gayatri usnik* etc.); wise in seven disciplines (the Veda and its six upangas (सप्तविधः मेधावी—*Daya*); seven rivers इमं मे गंगे, X.75.5—*Sayana*).

2. **Dhenavah**, the milch kine, or rivers (*Sayana*); speeches like kine (गाव इव वाचः—*Daya*).

4. **Duduhe sukram amsuh**, Soma yields its pure juice (*Wilson*); the Soma has milked the pure juice (शुक्रं निर्मलं रसं दुदुहे दुग्धे—*Sayana*; दुदुहे-दोषि, milked, शुक्रं—उदकम् water, अंशुः—किरणः (ray)—*Daya*).

6. **Gnam**, ग्नाम्, a synonym of *stri*, woman; to *Sayana*, the proper name of a Devata; queen of knowledge (गच्छन्ति ज्ञानं यया the one through which knowledge is attained—*Daya*); *menah* (मेनाः) and *gnah* (ग्नाः) are synonym of women; *striyah* (स्त्रियः), women, is derived from root *stiyai*, स्तिये, meaning to be bashful; *menah* (मेनाः) are so called because men honour them (मानयन्ति, *manayanti*).

Gnah (ग्नाः) are so called because men go to them. (Nir.III.21); *Sayana*'s derivation is “गनां देवीं सर्वगन्तव्यामेतन्नामिकां देवताम्” ।

7. **Gharma**, see also V.30.15; ewer; sacrifice or austerity (यज्ञस्तापो वा—*Daya*); *gharmah*, cauldron known as *Mahavira* (धर्मः महावीरः) in sacrifices. *Sayana* interprets the verse in the light of animal sacrifice: “The vessel which the priests celebrating, supply with butter, as if roasting a marrow-yielding animal with fire.”—(*Wilson*).

Vapavantam, encouraging the seed of knowledge to grow (विद्या बीजं विस्तरन्तम्—*Daya*).

Agnina, by fire; by austerity and celibacy (पावकेनेव ब्रह्मचर्येण—*Daya*).

Tapantah, roasting or heating; enduring or penancing for forbearance (सन्तापदुःखं सहमानाः—*Daya*).

8. **Dhuram**, the axle (नभिः; धुरं यानाधारकाष्ठम्—*Daya*); **anil**, pin, bolt (धाणिः कीलकम्—*Daya*); **nabhim**, axle of the wheel. As the cart cannot move if the axle of the wheel is not fixed by the pin or bolt, so the offering of the Soma is without efficacy unless the Asvins be present (*Wilson*).

9. **Pusna**, the nourishing bounty; (पुष्टिकरस्व—*Daya*).

Vayoh, of the wind divine.

12. **Nila-prstham**, the one whose back is darkblue. (नीलसंवृतं पृष्ठं यस्य तम्—*Daya*); Agni is Bṛhaspati and Bṛhaspati is Agni;—so infers Sayana from such epithets.

13. **Tridhatu Sṛṅgah**, the horns of three colours or three elements, white, red and smoky or black (शुक्लरक्तकुण्डलमुखाः शृङ्गवत्स्य सः—*Daya*).

Gna, speech (Nigh. I.11).

14. **Raspirasah**, one equipped with all accessories of the fire-ritual, (रास्विरासः ये रा धनानि स्पृणन्ति ते, they who liberally give and distribute gifts and alms—*Daya*).

15. **Mithunasah**, with wife (पत्नीभिः सहिता); **secante** (सेचन्ते सेवते—*Sayana*); **vayah**, food (sacrificial); one should jointly (i.e. husband and wife) offer sacrificial food, i.e. wife should participate with husband in sacred rituals (जायापती अग्निमादधीयाताम्—and similarly in the *urva Mimamsa* (V. I.26) (अधिकाराध्याये पृष्ठे स्त्रिया अप्यधिकारः स च पत्या सह, इति प्रतिपादितम्—*Sayana*). From देवोदेवः to दुर्मतोष्वात् the same as the latter half of verse 16 of Hymn 42.

16. The same as the verse 17 of the Hymn 42.

Hymn-44

For verses 1 and 8, see Nir. III.16 and VI.15 respectively.

The hymn refers to the glory of the sun, known as Indra, Surya, Agni, Aditya and various names. He is accompanied by his bride, the dawn (जनिवान् वै); the verses 10-13 refer to the allusive terms as क्षत्र, मनस, भवद, यजत, सध्रि, भवत्सार, विश्ववार, मायिन्, सदान्, बाहुवृक्त, धृतवित्, तुर्य and सुतम्भर which need elucidations. According to Sayana, most of them are the names of the Rsis. They are the humanly attributes of a man.

Ksatra, voluntary assistance (royal family or a State, राजकुलस्य राष्ट्रस्य वा—*Daya*.).

Manasa, goodwill (मन्मथ्यते तस्य—*Daya*.).

Evavada, pleasing nature. Dayananda explains eva-vadasya (एवज्वदस्य) as by which the attained qualities are told (एवान् प्राप्तान् गुणान् वदन्ति येन तस्य)।

(Evah, aspiring—कामयमानाः—*Daya*., गन्तव्यैः कामैर्गमनसाधनैरस्वैर्वा, by the means of transport, horses etc. V.41.5; एवाः गन्तारो युष्मान् भजमानाः—V.41.13—*Sayana*).

Yajata, reverence (यजतस्य यजन्ति संगच्छन्ते ये तस्य from $\sqrt{\text{यज्}}$, to unite. to go together—*Daya*.).

Sadhri, the spirit of coexistence (सध्रेः सहस्मानस्य—*Daya*.).

Avatsara, safety and protection (भवत्सारस्य योज्यतो रक्षकान् सरति प्राप्नोति तस्य—*Daya*.).

Visvavara, acceptable in totality (विश्ववारस्य समग्रस्वीकरणीयस्य—*Daya*.); see I.30.10; 48.13; 123.12; V.4.7; 28.1; 44.11; 80.3; and other references also for various other shades of meanings, विश्ववारं वाक्विवरपदार्थयुक्तां—V.4.7; विश्ववारा वा विश्वं वृणोति सा—V.28.1—*Daya*.).

Sadapraa, ever rich in wealth, ever satisfying (सदाज्जुगः यः सदा पृणाति तर्पयति सा—*Daya*.).

Bahuvr̥kta, destroyer of the crooked by both hands (यो बाहुभ्यां दृष्टान् बृहक्ते छिनक्ति—*Daya*.).

Srutavit, fully learned (श्रुतविद्—यः श्रुतं वेत्ति, one who knows all that has been heard—*Daya*).

Taryyah, skilful (यत्तीर्यते तस्मिन् योग्यः—one, worth going across, or worth crossing—*Daya*).

Sutambhara, the sustainer of the created world (स उत्पन्नं जगद् विभक्ति—*Daya*).

1. See Yv. VII.12.

Tam pratna-tha purva-tha visva-tha ima-tha, प्रतनया पूर्वया दिव्यया इमया, Him (thou milkest, like the ancient, like the farmer, like all, like the present (sacrificers), i.e. just as the ancient, as the former, as all, as these (sacrificers) milk. This, it is nearer than that. That, it is farther than this (Nir. III.16 on the Chapter of Similies, their various ways of expressing).

5. Wilson gives the literal translation thus : It is seizing with the trees the seized in the effused, the produce of the branching, in the embryos of the mind, well-moving (or) well-praised, among the speechholders, straight-sung, thou shinest; augment the protectresses, the life in the sacrifice. Wilson regards this verse as an obscure one, and Sayana's interpretation is also not intelligible.

8. **Yadr̥smin dhayī tam apasyaya vidat**,

By his skill, he won everything or all that on which the stake was laid, Nir. VI.15; यादृशे ध्यवहारे ध्रियते तमपस्यया आत्मनः कर्मण्यया तमते—*Daya*. He obtains that blessing by his devotion, on whatsoever his desire has been fixed—यादृशमिन् यादृशे कामे धायि धत्ते तामप्ययान् मनो गम्यते तम् । यथा निर्दोशे प्रतिनिर्दोशे व्यक्त्वात् तादृशमित्यर्थो जातव्यः । तादृशं कार्यम् अपस्यया कर्मणा हविः स्तुत्यादिलक्षणेन विदत् विन्दते—*Sayana*).

Hymn-45

3. **Parvatasya**, of the cloud (नेपथ्य—*Sayana*, *Daya*).

Mahinam janse purvyaya, for the lives taken before the creation of earths (महीनां) and cloud (पर्वतस्य)—*Daya*; to an ancient author of

sacred songs (महोनां महतीनां स्तुतीनां जनये उत्पादयिसे पूर्व्याय प्रत्नाय, to an ancient begetter or producer of praise, *Sayana*).

6. *Visi-sipram*, to the one attractive in appearance, to the one having attractive nose and chin (विशी शिप्रे शोभन्ते हनुनासिके तम्—*Daya*.); to an enemy without a chin (विगत हनुं शत्रुम्—*Sayana*): Manu conquered the enemy without action, or as *sipra* (शिप्र) means also a nose, it might mean noseless; Manu is Indra and *visisipra* is *Vṛtra* (*Sayana*).

For *Vanik vankuh apa purisam*, see also I.112.11—वाणिः सुदान् श्रीशिजाय वणिजे दीर्घधनवसे मयुक्तेषः; a merchant always desires to exploit maximum in exchange of a little investment; according to *Sayana*, this refers to *Kaksivan*, who was such an aspirant.

7. *Dasa maso navagvah*, for priests adept in a nine-month sacrifice continuing for ten months (नवग्वाः नवमासपर्यन्तं गवार्थमनुतिष्ठन्तोऽङ्गिरसो नवग्वाः; it might refer to an occasion when priests of both nine and ten months rites offer worship. (cf. नवग्वातः सुतसोमास इन्द्र दशग्वातो, V.29.12).

Sarama, flowing, eulogistic or sacred speech (सरणशीला स्तुतिरूपा वाङ्गिरसां गवार्थमिन्द्रेण प्रहिता देवशुनी वा; may also refer to the bitch of Indra—*Sayana*; the responsive enjoyer, स-रमा, समानरमणा—*Daya*.).

10. *Suryah arhat sukram arnah*, the sun has mounted the bright waters, i.e. he has become visible everywhere (सर्वतः प्रादुर्भवति—*Sayana*); or it alludes to the sun's rising apparently out of the waters.

11. *Dasa maso navagvah*, see verse 7.

Hymn-46

For verse 8. see Nir. XII.46.

The verses 2 and 3 also occur in Yv. XXXIII. 48; 49.

3. *Svar*, one of the names of *Aditya* (स्वः वादित्यं—*Daya*.); स्वरादित्य उच्यते स्वरणात्—*Sayana*).

The fourteen names invoked here are Indragñi, Mitra-varuna, Aditi, Svah, Pṛthivī, Dyau, Marut, Parvata, Apah, Visnu, Pusan, Brahmanaspati, Bhaga, and Savitr.

4. *Rbhavah*, the spiritual preceptors (मेधाविनः—*Daya*.).

Asvina, the pair of surgeons and physicians.

Tvasta, architects.

Vibhva, by capability (विभुता—*Daya*.); or one of the *Rbhuh* (ऋभूणामन्यतमो देवः—*Sayana*).

8. May the divine women (देवपत्न्यः), wives of gods, *Indrani*, *Agnayi*, *Asvini*, *Rat* enjoy themselves. May *Rodasi* and *Varunani* hear us. May the goddesses enjoy that which is the proper season of consorts.

Indrani is *Indra's* wife (इन्द्राणीन्द्रस्यपत्नी); *Agnayi* is the wife of *Agni* (अग्नायी, अग्नेः पत्नी); *Asvini*, wife of the *Asvins* (अश्विनौ, अश्विनोः पत्नी); *Rat* (राट्), she who shines (राट् राजते); *Rodasi*, wife of *Rudra* (रोदसी, रुद्रस्य पत्नी); *Varunani*, wife of *Varuna* (वरुणानी, वरुणस्य पत्नी). May the goddesses enjoy, i.e. long for that, the proper season of consorts (ऋतुकालो जायानाम्)—*Nir.* XII.46.

Dayananda's interpretation of these terms is : *Rat Indrani*, wife of a resplendent and reputed person (परमैश्वर्ययुक्तस्य पत्नी वा राजते); *Agnayi*, wife of a person, vigorous as fire (पावकवद् वृत्तमानस्य पत्नी); *Asvini*, wife of a person, moving with speed (आशुगानिनः स्त्री); *Rodasi varunani*, wife of a venerable person generous like earth and heaven (द्यावापृथिव्यादिव वरस्य भार्या).

In the cosmic creation, each and every Nature's bounty is considered as a pair, and for the fruitfulness, the consort is expected to wait for the proper season of mating, the *Rtukala* (ऋतुकाल), the universal function in the organic and inorganic worlds both.

Hymn-47

1. **Divah**, from heaven; from light (प्रकाशात्—*Daya*).

Mahi or the adorable (पूजनीया—*Daya*; महती—*Sayana*) is used for dawn (*Wilson*).

Mata, the adorable mother (मान्यकारिणी जननी—*Daya*; the creator of light or deities (प्रकाशस्य देवानां वा निर्मात्री—*Sayana*).

Duhitur bodhayanti, making the awaking of the daughter i.e. of the earth. *Usa* or dawn is the daughter of heaven, the bride of the earth (व्युच्छा दुहितृदिव—I.48.1; दिवो दुहिता भुवनस्य पत्नी VII.75.4; प्रजापतिर्वै स्वां दुहितरमम्यध्यायद्विदवमित्यन्य आहुषसमित्यन्ये Ait. Br. III.33). The relations between the heaven, the dawn and the earth have been elucidated by Dayananda in respect to the relations between a daughter, her parents and teacher and the husband, to whom she is married.

3. **Pr̥snih asma vi cakrame rajasah pati antao**—(See also Yv. XVII.10). *Asma* (प्रश्मा), cloud (मेघः—Nigh. I.10); all-pervading (सर्वत्र व्याप्त) or like a stone (*Sayana*).

Pr̥snih, sky or midspace (तमः—Nigh. I.4); the sun (आस्तुत एनं वर्णं इति पूज्यादित्यः—*Sayana*); *rajasah* (रजसः) of midspace (*Sayana*); of the one born in the *Loka* (लोकजातस्य—*Daya*).

4. **Catvarah**, the four (the four priests, चत्वारः ऋत्विजः—*Sayana*); the four elements—earth, water, fire and air (*Daya*).

Tridhatavah, the possessor of three characteristics (त्रयः सत्त्वरजस्तमांसि धातवो धारका येषान्ते); or three weathers—seasons—cold, hot and rainy (त्रिधातवः त्रिप्रकाराः शीतोष्णवर्षभेदेन त्रिविधा—*Sayana*).

5. **Iha-iba jate yamyā sambandhu**, here *yamyā* is the pair of night and day (यम्या रात्रिदिने—*Daya*); The firmament is supported or maintained in its place by the various changes of times and seasons which it may be considered to generate (*Sayana* and *Wilson*).

Yat im vibhrtam (यत् + ईम् + विभृत्), associated and equally allied (this refers to *vāpūh*, the form or body, or firmament, मण्डलम्). Also *im* (ईम्) means water (ईम् उदकम्—*Daya*; Nigh. I.12).

Hymn-48

For verse 1, see Nir. V.5.

1. **सन्न सौ वपः** = सन्ने सा सपः = सन्ना सा प्रपोऽप्रेक्ष्य इति—Waters in the cloud, i.e. waters on the clouds [waters in the cloud, i.e. waters resting on the cloud, प्रपोऽप्रेक्ष्यति]—Nir. V.5.

Mayini, cosmic intelligence (माया प्रज्ञा विद्यते यस्यां सा—*Daya.*); delusive (energy of Agni or lightning)—*Wilson*; also *Sayana*; the same as *Maya* or divine wisdom (मायेति प्रज्ञानाम् । प्रज्ञावती सती—यत् यस्य तन्मन्त्रिणी साध्यमिणी वागिति वा योज्यम्) ।

2. **Apacih apara apejate**, here *apacih*, अपाची, one with the downward flow (सा सधोऽञ्चन्ति—*Daya.*); dawns which have turned back (अपाचीः अपाञ्चताः प्रतिनिवृत्तमुखीः, अपराः सत्या द्यागमिनीः उपसः—*Sayana*).

Apejate, causes to go away (अपचातयति—*Sayana*); causes to shake (अपकम्पते—*Daya.*).

Devayur janah, the devout person (देवान् विदुषः कामयमानः जनः—*Daya.*).

4. **Parasoh iva**, परशोः इव, like a *parasu*; *parasu*, a deputy (परशोरिव प्रतिपरशोः प्रतिनिधिमिव पश्यामि । परशुर्गृहा स्वस्वामिनोऽभिमतं साधयति तद्वदित्यर्थः—*Sayana*).

Tam asya ritim parasoh iva, the text has no verb; *Sayana* supplies the verb *pasyami*, and interprets *parasu* by *pratnidhi*, a deputy, a substitute; in like manner as a deputy fulfils the will of his master, so the functions of *Agni* make him the deputy, or representative of *yajamana*; or *parasu* may imply an axe, as usual, which accomplishes the object of the wood-cutter as *Agni* does that of a sacrificer. (*Wilson*)

Hymn-49

1. **Bhagam Vibhajantam**, similar to *bhagah vibhakta* (V.46.6); *Bhaga* is the distributor of wealth (धनं विभागकर्त्ता—*Sayana*; धनं ऐश्वर्यं च रत्नं रमणीयं धनं विभजन्तं विभागं कुर्वन्तम्—*Daya.*); see also IV.17.11 (राशो विभक्ता संभरन्व वस्वः) ।

3. **Adatraya dayate varyani**, i.e. the fire consumes excellent consumable timbers (अदत्रया वरणीयानि काष्ठानि दहते); or as epithet to Agni, the nourishing, the desirable, the uninjurable Agni (अदत्रया अन्तु योग्यान्व-न्नादीनि दयते ददाति वाय्वाग्निं वरितुमर्हन्निषूया पुष्टिकर्त्ता भजः भजनीयः—gives nourishing and desirable food—*Daya.*).

5. **Pra ye vasubhyah ivat-a namah**, presented to the rich people (the *Vasus*) the moving and sustaining food; by moving food (गमनवदनम्—*Sayana*), the dairy products, as milk, butter and honey and others are intended, obtained from cattle or other creatures;—*Sayana* unnecessarily interprets it as animal flesh (नमः अन्नं पशवात्मकम्) used as food.

Hymn-50

1. See Yv. IV.8.

2. **Te hi raya te hi a—pree sacemahi sacathyaih**—Here *raya* (राया), by wealth; a-pree (आप्तृचे), for the relation on all sides, *sacathyaih*, in the company of all close relations (सचथेषु समवायेषु भवेः—*Daya.*). We seek to unite with our desires (*Wilson*); ते उभये राया धनेन सचेमहि, संगच्छेमहि, आप्तृचे आपर्चनीया, सचर्ष्यः सर्वैः कामैः—*Sayana*; also ये च राया सर्वान् रक्षन्ति, ते प्रीतिमन्तो जायन्ते ये हि आप्तृचे समन्तात् सम्पर्काय सचेमहि संयुज्जमहि सचर्ष्यः सचथेषु समवायेषु भवेः i.e. those who serve others with wealth, they are blessed with happiness. We should unite with them, who care to maintain good relations with all (*Daya.*).

3. **Nrn Atithin**, the righteous guests who lead on good paths (अधर्माद्विभोज्य धर्मपथं गमयितुं अनियतविधीन्—*Daya.*). An invocation for male descendents, guests and wives (नृन् अतिथीन्, पत्नीं)—*Wilson*.

4. **Yatra vahnihi abhi-bitah**, where the fire is placed or established. *Sayana* misinterprets the words as sacrificial post and victim, on the basis of the word *dronyah pasuh* (द्रोण्यः पशुः—द्रोणेषु शीघ्रगामिषु भवः, पशुः यो दृश्यते—यत्र द्रोण्यः पशुरिवाऽभिहितो वह्निर्दुद्रवत्—*Daya.*). Here *pasuh* stands for cow, from which flows milk collected in a pot of wood (द्रोण्यः).

Hymn-51

1. **Umehbhih**, with all protecting Nature's forces (रक्षणादिकर्तृभिस्तह —*Daya.*; रक्षकः—*Sayana*). For ऊमाः see III.6.8; IV.19.1; V.52.12; VII.39.4; X.6.7; 31.3; 77.8; 120.1; 3; ऊमास्तः I.66.3; ऊमेभिः V.51.1; ऊमेभ्यः X.32.5 and ऊमे I.169.7. Being protectors, they are identified as *Pitṛs* also.

5. **Piba sutasya andhasah abhi prayah**, enjoy the extracts of food and herbal drinks (सुतस्य निष्पन्नस्य अन्धसः अन्नस्य रसान् अभि प्रयः कमनीयं जलम् —*Daya.*; प्रयः अन्नं तोमाख्यं; सुतस्यान्धसः अभिषुतमन्धोज्जनं तोमसक्षणं पिव—*Sayana*).

6. **Arepasau**, benevolent (दयालु—*Daya.*).

8. **Atri-vat**, like *atri*; *atri*, one free from threefold pains or vices, physical, mental and spiritual; also like the one pervading (अत्रापकबलु—*Daya.*).

11. **Aditih**, the mother Infinity; the indivisible one (अवच्छिन्ना —*Daya.*).

Anarvanah, unyoked (अप्रत्युतः—*Sayana*; अनश्वस्य—*Daya.*); one whom none resists.

Pusa, the giver of strength, the nourishing (पुष्टिकरः दुग्धादि —*Daya.*).

Asurah, cloud (मेघः).

12. **Adityasah**, suns and other luminary bodies; a *brahmacerin* of the first grade; months of a year (*Daya.*).

13. अद्या = अद्य (निर्वातस्य चेति दीर्घः) ।

Rbhavah, men of wisdom; the architects.

Rudrah, Lord of terror.

Hymn-52

For verses 6 and 9, see Nir. VI.16 and V.5 respectively.

The hymn is devoted to The Maruts. On the physical plane, The *maruts* are the cloud-bearing winds, with occasional lightning resembling highly polished javelins of soldiers. On the social plane, The Maruts are the dedicated leaders of a well-developed society, deserving our admiration and appreciation. Dayananda interprets the hymn in this light. On the metaphysical plane, The Maruts are those human impulses, which help us in dispelling darkness, and ultimately bring forth the divine bliss. All invocations, offerings, libations and drinks are to feed these impulses.

6. *Marutah jajjhatih iva*, The Maruts like the waters, winds accompanying roaring clouds. Jajjhatih means waters so called because they produce a sound (Nir. VI.16).

9. *Parusnyam urna* etc. the cumulus (or woollen) clouds along the sustaining river (परुष्यां पालनकल्पम्—*Daya.*).

For *Parusni*, see IV.22.2; V.52.9; VII.18.8; 9; VIII.74.15; 93.13; X.75.5.

Uta pavya rathanam adrim bhindanti ojasa

Lo, with the rim of their chariots, they rend the mountains with their might. Here *pavi* means the rim of a wheel because it brushes away the earth. (पवी रथनेमिर्भवति; यद् विपुनानि भूमिम्—Nir. V.5.)

10. On the basis of this verse, The maruts have been postulated to be classified under four heads :

(i) *apathayah* (आपथयः), those following the path forwards or onwards (those impulses which lead a person onwards to a better spiritual life; or the clouds moving upwards):—समन्तादभिमुखः पन्था येपान्ते;

(ii) *vipathayah* (विपथयः); those following an opposite or contrary path (impulses which lead to a lower trend of life; clouds moving in a downward direction);—निविष्टा विरुद्धा वा पन्थानो येपान्ते;

(iii) **antah patha** (अन्तःपथा); those following the paths leading into the hollowness (impulses leading to the disclosure of inner mysteries of consciousness; the clouds sinking into the hollowness of mountains);—अन्तराभ्यन्तरे पन्था येषान्ते; and

(iv) **anupathah** (अनुपथा), those following the path of smoothness; only treading on the paths shown by others; clouds which spread smoothly—अनुकूतः पन्था येषान्ते—(Daya.).

17. **Sakinah**, potent persons (शक्तिमन्तः—Daya.).

Sapta me sapta, seven and seven or seven into seven i.e. 49 (seven vital elements, five breaths, mind and the soul; seven classes of men; the five of the *Pancajanyah*, the Sanyasins of the universal brotherhood, and the criminals the seventh; The Maruts are of seven groups (सप्तगणा वै मरुतः—Tai.S. II.2.11.1—अदितिगर्भे वर्त्तमानं वायुमिन्द्रः प्रविश्य सप्तधाविदार्यं पुनरेकैकं सप्तधा व्यदारयत् ते एकोनपञ्चाशत्मरुद्गणा अभवन्ति पुराणेषु प्रतिदम्—*Sayana*). This is how, in mythology, from one became seven and the each one again split up into seven and thus 49 classes of The Maruts—*Sayana*).

Yamunayam, in the actions associated with the pair of *Yama* and *Niyama* (see the *Yogasutras*)—यमुनियमान्वितायां क्रियामाप्—*Daya.*; for the word *yamuna*, see V.52.17; VII.18.19 and X.75.5. The *Nadyah* hymn of the *Rgveda* (X.75) quotes a series of terms, which have been explained by 'the *Nirukta* (IX.26) Ganga, Yamuna, Sarasvati, Sutudri Parusni, Marudvṛdha, Asikni, Arjikiya, Vitasta and Susoma. The *Ganga* is so called from going (√ गम्). The *Yamuna*, she flows, *joining herself*, or she flows gently. Every confluent river is thus the *Yamuna*; every confluent channel or nerve in our human system is the *Yamuna*. On the *Adhyatma* plane, every confluent impulse is the *Yamuna*. In an army, the array of marching troops is a river (*nadi*).

Hymn-53

In this hymn also, The Maruts have been invoked. The Marut is a *mortal man* (मरुत् = मर्त्य) in human society; some of the *Maruts* are leaders, the devoted workers in the society.

According to Dayananda, such persons have been invoked in this hymn. The bands of Maruts, with weapons, bows, helmets, and breastplates, represent the troops of soldiers. On the *adhidaivata* plane, the Maruts are the rain-bearing clouds, with occasional lightning and thunder, marching with speed, as if in chariots yoked with spotted deers, horses or mares; they are the nimbus, cumulus, cirrus and stratus, and rising high in the heaven, silent and thundering, occasionally pour down on our dry lands, and thus contribute to the land fertility and harvest. The entire poetry with sublimity and fervour is depicted in the present and the following hymns. Such cloud-bearing winds are also present in our conscious, sub-conscious and supraconscious realms, with impulses dark, deceptive and even disheartening; in the midst of such frustrations, we have occasional flashes of divine enlightenment, and finally a shower of bliss, knowledge and supreme beatitude.

3. **Arepasah**, free from sins and blemishes (दोषलेपरहिताः—*Daya*.); also formless; intangible. (See I.64.2; 124.26; 181.4; V.51.6; 53.3; 57.4; 61.14; 63.6; 73.4; 6; IX.70.8; 101.10; X.78.1; 91.4). (अरेपसः = अलेपसः = अनित्यः; अलेपास्ते—non-entangled—*Sayana*).

4. **Khadisu**, खादिषु; in anklets or bracelets; rings (*kataka*) for hands and feet; *khadi* is a *hasta-tranaka* (हस्त-त्राणक), that is, a guard for the hand, or arm. For words, connected with *khadi*, see खादयः—I.166.9; V.54.11; VII.56.13; खादिः I.168.3; खादिनः II.34.2; खादिनम् VI.16.40; खादिषु V.53.4; X.38.1; and खादिहस्तम् V.58.2.

According to Sayana, खादिनः शत्रूणां खादका मरुतः स्वकीयैराभरणैर्निमित्ते, यद्वा खादः कटकम् । II.34.2; खादिषु हस्तपादस्थित कटकेषु; हस्तेषु खादिश्च कृतिश्च I.168.3; पशु खादयः (V.54.11).

Dayananda translates खादिषु as in foods etc. (भक्षणादिषु); खादयः as the consumers (भोक्ताः, V. 54.11.)

9. **Rasa**, **anitabha** and **kubha** (रसा, अनित्यभा, कुभा); the nuclei of dust (रसा—पृथिवी—*Daya*.); indefinite or variable light or heat, causing fluctuations of pressure or absence of light; अनित्यभा—अप्राप्तदीप्तिः—*Daya*.); and the rotatory motion of the earth (कु=earth), or the undesirable or unfavourable light (कुत्सित प्रकाशाः—*Daya*.)—these are the causes for the flow and precipitation of cloud-bearing winds. Sayana regards these three terms as denoting three Indian rivers of these names, not identified.

(**Rasa**, रसा, means river also,—रसा नदी भवति, Nir. XI.25; रसनवती शब्दवती).

Anitabha, that which is not *itabha*, इतभा, इता प्राप्ता भा यस्या सा इतभा—*Sayana*). According to some authorities, the *Rasa* is a river, whilst *anitabha* and *kubha* are the adjectival nouns to qualify the *Rasa*.

Kramuh sindhuh, the wide-roaring ocean or river (कमिता नदी समुद्रो वा—*Daya*.), or the everywhere-going ocean (सर्वत्र-क्रमणः समुद्रः—*Sayana*).

Purisini, = *Pura-isini* (पुर इषिणी), the one desirous of the possession of cities—*Daya*.; the one full of water (पुरीषमुदकम्, तद्वती—*Sayana*; Nigh. I.12).

Sarayuh, a river in general (यः सरति—*Daya*.); later on, a river of this name in the Uttar Pradesh.

13. **Dhanyam bijam aksitam**, imperishable grainseed, the grain or seed of rice etc. (तण्डुलादिकं वषणाहम्, the grain which can be used for sowing;—*Daya*.); or in a copulative sense, grain and seed; of course, the grain is seed.

Hymn-54

For the verse 6, see Nir. VI.4.

2. **Tritah**, the combination of three : here wind, cloud and lightning (त्रिम्यः—*Daya*.); triple-stationed company (त्रितः त्रिषु स्थानेषु तायमानो मेघो मरुद्गणो वा—*Sayana*).

9. **Pravadvati prthivi**, the wide-extended earth, प्र — वत् + वत्, having extent or extension + again possessing i.e. extensive (प्रवन्तः प्रकर्षन्तो विस्तीर्णाः प्रदेशा मस्यां सा प्रवत्वती । तादृशी भवति । कृत्स्नापि भूमिः मरुत्परा भवतीत्यर्थः; another meaning is given to it, *tat-para*, being subject to it, as the earth is subject to the Maruts, or they pervade the whole earth, तां सर्वमपि व्याप्नुवन्ति—*Sayana*); the inclined, or slopy land (प्रवत्वती निम्न देशयुक्ता or प्रवणवती or निम्नगामिनी; similarly, प्रवत्वन्तः प्रवतशीलाः—*Daya*.).

10. **Svarnarah**, leaders of all (सर्वस्य नेतारः—*Sayana*) or स्वःजरः, those who bring happiness (ये स्वः सुखं नयन्ति ते—*Daya*.).

Divonarah, leaders of heaven; or those who lead to the desired goal of righteousness (कामयमानाः सत्ये धर्मो नेतारः—*Daya*).

11. **Siprah**, शिप्राः, the head-dresses, turbans or tiaras (उष्णिगाः—*Daya*).

12. **Rusat pippalam**, water of bright colour (*pippalam*=water Nigh. I.12; शुध्वर्णमुदकम्—*Sayana*); good-looking enjoyable fruit, सुखरूपं फलभोगम्—*Daya*); or firmament.

13. **Tlsya**, the sun or the eighth lunar mansion, the *Pusya* (धातिवः पुष्य नक्षत्रं वा—*Daya*).

14. **Sama-vipram**, the authorities on the Saman chants (सामसु मेधाविनम्—*Daya*; साम्नां विविधं प्रेरयितारं यद् वा सामसहिता विप्रा यस्य तादृशम्—*Sayana*).

Hymn-55

2. **Tavism**, well-equipped strong army (बलेनयुक्तां सेनाम्—*Daya*).

4. **Abhusenyam**, adorned, rather adored, or to be glorified.

5. **Samudratah**, from midspace or firmament (मन्तरिक्षात्—*Daya*);

Purisinah, charged with waters (पुरीषं जलम्—Nigh. I.12); charged with numerous types of sustenance (पुरीषं बहुविधपोषणं विद्यते येषु ते—*Daya*).

6. **Asvan dhursu**, horses to the poles of chariots; *asvan*, fire etc. (अग्न्यादीनि; *dhuh-su*, in the cells of aeroplanes and other vehicles, धूर्ध्वविमानादियानावयव कोष्ठेषु—*Daya*).

10. अञ्छा = अञ्छ ।

Hymn-56

For the verse 8, see Nir. XI.50.

3. **Milhusmati-iva**, like the one possessing powerful or virile husband (मीलुं हुष्मतीव मीलुः सेक्तावीर्यप्रदः प्रमस्तः पतिविद्यते यस्यास्तत्—*Daya*); here in the context of our earth (पृथिवी), one possessing a powerful master or

ruler, particularly when oppressed by others (पराहतः). Earth (पृथिवी) may, in fact, represent the inhabitants, or *praja*, the subjects of the State. (*Sayana*).

4. **Gavah**, cattle, cows, but here horses also (*Sayana*).

5. **Gavam sargam iva**, like a herd of cattle; but sargam also means water (सर्गः उदकनाम—Nigh. I.12; सर्गमिव उदकमिव—*Daya*.; like a heap of waters (*Wilson*); *gavam* also means of waters (सर्गं संपद्, गवां उदकानां प्रसिद्धानां गवां वा सर्गं संपद्—*Sayana*).

8. **Rodasi**, heaven and earth; the sun and earth (भूमिसूयो—*Daya*.); the wife of Rudra, and the mother of The Maruts in mythology (रोदसी रुद्रस्य पत्नी मरुतां माता, यद्वा रुद्रो वायुः, तत्पत्नी माध्यमिका देवी—*Sayana*).

We invoke the swift famous chariot of The Maruts i.e. the cloud, wherein has stood, Rodasi, bearing delightful waters in the company of i.e. together with The Maruts (Nir. XI.50).

9. **Mīhushi**, मीलुहूषी, the virile woman (सैबनकर्त्री—*Daya*.); in mythology another name for Rodasi, the wife of Midhvat (मीलुहूवत), which is an appellation of Rudra. Phrases like *Milhustama sivatama* (मीलुहूष्टम शिवतम) show that Midhvan (मीड्वान्) is Rudra; also the same in the Apastambe Sutrās (उत्तरया दक्षिणस्यामीशानमावाहति लोकिक्ता वाचोत्तरस्यां मीलुहूषी मध्ये जयन्ताम्—Ap. Gr. XX.1.3).

Hymn-57

For verse 1, see Nir. XI.15.

1. **Iyam vah asmat prati** etc., this our praise is addressed to you as to the thirsty; from heaven, rushing waters to the water-wishing. *Sayana* alludes these lines to the legend of the well brought by The Maruts to the thirsty Gotama (उदम्यन्ते उदकेच्छन्ते तृष्णये गौतमाय—*Sayana*; see also I.85.11).

Come, O Rudras, with Indra, accordant for the action of bringing prosperity. This thought from us yearns strongly for you, as the thirsty for the divine springs of water.

Tṛṣṇaḥ is derived from √तृष्, to be thirsty.

Udanyuh (one who seeks water) is derived from the verb उदन्त्य, to moisten (Nir. XI.15).

8. **Bṛhad uksamanah**, with profuse services (महत् सेवमानः—*Daya.*); with copious oblations; or may also mean sprinkling much water (उदकं वा सिञ्चते यूर्यं मृतत—*Sayana.*).

The same verse is repeated as the last verse of the succeeding hymn (V.58.8).

Hymn-58

4. **Vibhvatastam**, modelled by *vibhvan*, a particular class of architects, who have specialized in transport vehicles (Rbhu, vibhvan and Vajins); fabricated by *vibhvan*, very perfect and handsome (तेन निमित्तं भव्यन्त रूपवन्तम्—*Sayana.*); one particularly intelligent among wise persons (विभूनां मेधाविनां मध्ये तष्टं—तीव्रप्रज्ञम्—*Daya.*).

जनयया = जनयय (permissible in the Vedic Texts).

6. **Ava usriyah vṛsabhah krandatu dyaubh**, may emit a downward sound; again here *dyaubh* means pleasing (कामयमानः—*Daya.*); or *dyaubh vṛsabhah* may mean the shining showerer, i.e. *Parjanya* or *Indra*; *usra* means the ray of the sun.

Hymn-59

1. **Spat**, स्पष्ट, one who touches, the priest (स्पर्ष्टा—*Daya.*; स्पर्ष्टा होता, i.e. the priest or *hota* who touches the fire or oblation—*Sayana.*).

For *Spat*, see also VIII.61.15; and X.35.8.

धर्चा = धर्च, to honour, to respect; धर्चा सत्कुरु । अत द्व्यचोऽस्तस् तिष्ठ इति दीर्घ.—*Daya.*; *Panini* VI.3.134.

2. **Emabhih**, by attainable qualities (प्रापकैः गुणै—*Daya.*).

3. चेतया = चेतय ।

4. **Kavya**, the contributions of wise people (कवीनां मेधाविनां कर्माणि—*Daya.*).

6. **Udbhidah**, those who sprout forth out of ground (ये पृथिवी निरुवा प्ररोहन्ति—*Daya.*).

Prsnimatarah, those whose mother is the mid-space or heaven; clouds (पृश्निस्तृतिं माता येमान्ते—*Daya.* ; पृश्निः नभः, heaven Nigh. I.4).

7. **Ubhaye yatha viduh**, as both know; here both stands for gods and mortals; both according to Sayana, mortals or men, of course, know by perception the setting in of the rains; the gods know it by the *agrayana* (आग्रयण) and other sacrifices which are offered at that season—देवाश्च वृष्टौ सत्यामाग्रयणादौ हविष्प्रदानेन जानन्ति—*Sayana*. Dayananda relates *ubhaye* with *asvasah*, i.e., two types of moving bodies or transports.

Hymn-60

For verse 8, see Nir. VIII.2.

1. **Pradaksinit**, one who carries the *pradaksina* (यः प्रदक्षिणो नवति—*Daya.*); the divinely blessed; circumbulating (प्रादक्षिण्येन गच्छन्—*Sayana*).

4. **Raivatasah**, rich in animals (रेवतीषु पशुषु नवाः—*Daya.*); persons rich in wealth (धनवन्तः—*Sayana*).

8. **Vaishvanara**, the leader of common folk; the universal leader (विश्वेषु सर्वेषु नायक—*Daya.*).

Somam piba mandasano ganasribhibh, accompanied by associating troops, and rejoicing, drink Soma. This in the Nirukta (VIII.2) is referred to in connection with similar functions or assignments to Indra, Agni, Vayu and others. It is not only Indra that accepts Soma, Agni and others are also equally entitled. Agni, Indra, Vayu etc. are the names of one and the same Supreme Lord.

Hymn-61

Sayana narrates a queer mythological story along with this hymn, which is neither appropriate nor necessary. It merely speaks of the ingenuity of the mythological period of the Vedic history. The story runs thus : A priest of the family of Atri, named *Arcanṅgas* (अर्चनङ्गाः),

having been employed as *hotr* by the Raja Rathaviti (रथवीति), the son of Darbhya (i.e. a दार्ष्य), saw at the ceremonial the daughter of the Raja, and being pleased by her appearance, asked her as a wife for his son Syavasva (स्यावासव); Rathaviti was disposed to assent, but he thought it proper to consult his queen, who objected to the match that Syavasva was not a *Rsi*, no maiden of their house having ever been given in marriage to a less saintly personage: to qualify himself, therefore, as a *Rsi*, Syavasva engaged in a course of rigorous austerity, and wandered about soliciting alms; among others, he begged alms of Sasiyasi (शसीयसी), the queen of Taranta (तरन्त) Raja, who conducting him to her husband, said, a *Rsi* has arrived: the Raja replied, treat him with reverence; and Sasiyasi, with her husband's permission, gave him a herd of cattle and costly ornaments: the Raja also bestowed upon him whatever he asked for, and then sent him onwards to his younger brother, Purumilha (पुरुमील्ह): on his way, Syavasva met the Maruts, whom he hymned, and was by them acknowledged to be a *Rsi*; he was also made the *Seer* (इष्टा) of the hymns of the Veda: Rathaviti then, with concurrence of his wife, gave him his daughter: this hymn (61) was, as if, composed, in honour of the benefactors of *Rsi*.

Thus according to Sayana, the word सा (5) or *she* refers to Sasiyasi, Viraya (वीराय) or hero to Taranta (5). The same verse has the word Syavasva (स्यावासव); the word *Sasiyasi* occurs in verse 6. *Syavaya* in verse 9 is the same as *Syavasva* according to Sayana; this verse has the word Purumilha (पुरुमील्ह) also; in verse 10, we have the word *Vaidadasvi* (the son of Vidadasva, विददश्व) which stands for Purumilha; and we have the term *Taranta* (तरन्त) also, and a reference to the gift of wealth and hundred cattle.

5. **Sa**, सा, a wise and learned lady (विदुषी स्त्री—*Daya*.).

Syavasva, स्यावासव, brown speedy horses; *Syavasvastutaya*, by one equipped or accomplished with brown speedy horses or vehicles.

Doh, arms (भुजस्य बलम्—*Daya*.).

Viraya, by brave youths (वीराय—*Daya*.).

6. *Sasiyasi*, a lady, the accomplisher of praiseworthy deeds; (प्रतिशयेन दुःखं प्लावयन्ती, the helper at the time of excessive troubles and miseries—*Daya*.).

9. *Syavaya*, श्यावाय, the possessor of brown speedy horses (श्याववर्णमुक्तायाश्वाय—*Daya*.).

Purumilhaya, (पुरुष्मीलहाम), for a person widely reputed for virility (बहुवीर्यसेवने—*Daya*.).

10. *Vaidat-asvih* (वैदत्स्मरिषः), the knower of cosmic mystery (योऽश्वान् विन्दति स विददश्वस्तस्यापत्यं वैददशिव, an expert in the knowledge of horses is *vidadasva*, and his son would be *vaidadasvi*—*Daya*.).

Tarantah-iva, तरन्तश्चिव, like a swimmer (*Daya*.).

17. *Urmye* (ऊर्म्ये), On night (रात्रीय वत्तमाने—*Daya*.). Sayana refers to the mythology here; upon concluding the praises of the Maruts, and thus having attained the rank of a *Rsi*, Syavasva summons the night (ऊर्म्या), to convey the intelligence to *Rathaviti*, who gives him his daughter along with many valuable presents, but at the end of the ceremony, the *Rsi* departed for the woods to resume his austerities. It is, however, not said if he took his wife with him.

19. *Gomatih*, a flooded river, rich in radiations (गवां किरणा विद्यन्ते यासु गतिषु ताः—*Daya*.). According to Sayana, *gomatih* means, having water; rivers being in the plural (गोमतीरन् उदकवतीर्नदीरन् अनुसृत्य नदीनां तीरे—*Sayana*).

Hymn-62

For verse 8, see Nir. III.5.

Mitra-Varuna are usually associated with the sun:—one represents the sun as the giver of energy (light and heat), whilst the other provides plasma, *matter* or *dravya* to the solar system. For the relation of Mitra-Varuna with the sun, see चित्रं देवानामुदगायनीकं चक्षुर्मित्रस्यवरुणस्याग्नेः, I.115.1; उदां चक्षुर्वरुण सुप्रतीकं देवयोः VII.61.1, and चक्षुर्मित्रस्य वरुणस्य, VII.63.1.

The Supreme Lord is also Mitra, since He is of supreme friendly nature, or since He is the giver of enlightenment. He is side

by side *Varunu* also, since He is venerable, and the giver of bliss. When both the aspects (enlightenment and bliss) of Lord are expressed simultaneously, He is also known as *Mitra-Varuna* (मित्रावरुण), or a *twin-Lord*, and then He is invoked in *dual* number (द्विवचन). This type of twinning of varied functions is also found in several other combinations as *Indra-agni* (इन्द्राग्नी, I.121.1-4), *Indra-pusana* (इन्द्रापूषण, I.162.2); *Indra-Bṛhaspati* (इन्द्राबृहस्पती IV.49.1-6); *Indra-Brahmanaspati* (इन्द्राब्रह्मणस्पती II.24.12); *Indra-Varuna* (इन्द्रावरुण I.17.7-9); *Indra-Visnu* (इन्द्राविष्णु, IV.2.4), and *Indra-soma* (इन्द्रासोम; इन्द्रासोमा II.30.6). In the Vedic verses, these terms, used in the sense of the twin-Lord, take the *dual* number, though representing one and the same Lord. For these pairings, see Nir. VII.10. For triple-Lord, *Mitra-Varuna* and *Aryaman*—see V.67.3.

1. *Devanam srestham vapusam*, most excellent of the forms of gods; the divine bodies; the embodied forms of Nature's bounties; the best of the embodied or light-possessing deities.

Rtena, by cosmic vapours; *rtam*, eternal orb.

2. *Mitra*, cosmic energy; *Varuna*; cosmic plasma.

Pavīh, the felly of the chariot wheel (पवी रथनेमिर्गवति—*Sayana*); righteous behaviour (पवि: पवित्रोऽन्यत्रहारः—*Daya*.); also circumference of a wheel, put by metonymy for the chariot.

Vam ekah pavīh a vavarta, the one chariot of you two goes round. See also V.73.3. The two wheels of the Sun's chariot has to play two different roles. One causes the radiations to emit, it causes days and nights; the other wheel apparently moves the sun round an orbit to cause the seasons and year, the **TIME CYCLE**, *Kala-cakra*. It must be remembered that in the Vedic poetry, while we speak of the rise of the sun and the sunset, or the sun causing the seasons, we refer to the *apparent* movements of the sun in relation to our earth. It is, in fact, the earth and other planets, which revolve round the sun.

5. *Garthe mitra asatha* etc., here *gartha* means the seat on the chariot, the car itself. See also the verse 8 (गर्ते गृहे—*Daya*.; यधिरथे—*Sayana*).

8. **Garttam**, the chariot or car. Chariot is called *garita*, being derived from \sqrt{g} , meaning to praise; it is the most praised vehicle; "ascend the chariot, O Mitra and Varuna", (Nir.III.5, गृणातेः स्तुतिकर्मणः; स्तुतितमं वानम्)।

Aditim, the indivisible earth (अखण्डनीया भूमि, इति खण्डितां प्रजादिकाम्—*Sayana*; *ditim* refers to people etc. who are divisible). To *Dayananda*, *aditim* is everlasting causal state (अविनाशि कारणम्), whilst *ditim* is ending effect (नाशवत्कार्यम्).

Compare the verse with Yv. X.16. To *Mahidhara ditim* is an infidel (दीनं, नास्तिकवृत्तिम्), whilst *aditim* is one who follows what is prescribed and performs religious rites (अदितिमदीनं विहितानुष्ठितारं इति दीनं नास्तिक वृत्तिम्—*Mahidhara*).

Hymn-63

For verse 5, see Nir. IV.19.

2. **Dyava-prthivi vi caranti tanyavah**—Your bodies or forms traverse earth and heaven; this refers to expanding rays. The lightnings (तनवः) traverse earth and the celestial region (प्रकाशमूनी विविधे गच्छन्ति विद्युतः—*Daya*).

3. **Asurasya mayaya**, by the power of *parjanya*, the caster forth of water (असुरस्य उदकनिरसितुः पञ्चम्यस्य मायया प्रजया सामर्थ्येन—*Sayana*). Here *asura* is cloud, and *maya*, the skill or potentiality (मेघस्य मायया प्राच्छादनादिना प्रजया वा—*Daya*).

5. **Rajansi citra vi caranti tanyavah**, here *rajas* (रजस्) is derived from \sqrt{r} ञ्, to glow. The two lights are called *rajas*; water is called *rajas*, worlds are called *rajas*; blood and day are called *rajas*.—Variegated and thundering worlds move in different directions.—Nir. IV.19.

Hymn-64

3. **Mitrasya yayam patha**, may I proceed by the path of Mitra; see also I.90.1 (मितस्य मित्रभूतस्य यथा मार्गेण मित्रप्रापकेण मार्गेण यायां गच्छेयम्; मित्रस्येष्टदेशं यममितृत्वं प्रसिद्धम्—"मित्रो नयतु विद्वान्"—*Sayana*).

Sharmani, in the happiness, in the house, in the place (सुखे गृहे स्थाने वा—*Sayana*; गृहे, in the house—*Daya*.).

7. **Hastibhih a pat-bhih** (pat-bhih, पटभिः = पद्भिः), with hands, with feet; i.e. with those having four feet, i.e. horses; also with elephants (इभैः—*Daya*.) and with feet; also with speedy (हस्तिभिः) legs.

Deva-ksetre, place of divine worship.

Sutam somam na, where devotional love is being expressed.

Arcananasam, the one with an adorable or fine nose (प्राचिता श्रेष्ठा नासिका यस्य तम्—*Daya*.); name of a Rsi (*Sayana*), Arcanana being the seer of this hymn (V.64). This word does not occur anywhere else in the *Rgveda*.

Hymn-65

5. **Varuna-sesasah**, वरुणस्योपसः, the children of Varuna (शेष इत्यपत्यनाम, वारकाः पुत्रा येषां ते—*Sayana*); children of venerable persons (वरुण उत्तमोजनः शेषो येषान्ते—*Daya*.)—शेषः,—अपत्यनाम, Nigh. II.2.

Hymn-66

1. **Rta-pesase**, of whom the form is verily water. *Pesah*, पेशः = रूपनाम = form (Nigh. III.7); *rta* = water, Nigh. I.12; also whose the form is truth (सत्यस्वरूप नाम—*Daya*.).

Hymn-67

4. **Amhoh-cit**; even of the sinner (पापिनोऽपि—*Sayana*; here *cit* means also, or even of.

Hymn-68

4. **Rtam rtena sapanta**, rewarding with rain the holy rite (ऋतेन उदकेन निमित्तेन ऋतं यज्ञं सपन्ता स्पृशन्तो—*Sayana*); invoking truth with truth (सत्यं सत्येनाक्रोशन्तो—*Daya*.).

Hymn-69

1. Vayrdhanau amatim ksatriyasya, augmenting the force of the vigorous (अमति = रूपनामैतत्—Nigh.; क्षत्रियस्य = क्षत्रं बलं, तद्बलं इन्द्रस्य; vigorous, i.e. here it refers to Indra—*Sayana*; the son of a king क्षत्रायत्यस्य राज्ञः i.e. a king himself—*Daya*).

2. Trayah tasthuh vrsabhasah tisnam dhisananam, the three radiant receptacles and showers of rain stand severally in their three spheres (*Wilson*). The three here are Agni, Vayu and Aditya, i.e. fire on this earth, wind in the midspace, and the sun in heaven.

Iravati, full of milk (इरावतीः, इरा क्षीरलक्षणा, तद्बलस्यो भवन्ति—*Sayana*); full of food and requisites (बहुवन्तादि सामग्रीस्ताः—*Daya*).

3. Sam yoh (सं योः); here सं (Sam) is the prevention of calamity and misfortune (परिष्टमनाय), and योः (yoh) for the association of happiness (सुखस्य मिश्रणाय; also सं योः = सुखं संयुक्तम्—*Daya*).

Hymn-73

1. Paravati, परावति, in distant lands; arvavati; अर्वावति, in near places (दूरदेशे, निकटदेशे—*Daya*).

3. Irma anyat vapuse vapuh cakram rathasya yemathuh—see I.30.19 also, (न्यग्र्यस्य मूर्धनि चक्रं रथस्य येमम्), you have arrested one wheel of car for illumining the form of the sun (*Wilson*); the verse refers to different functions of the two wheels of the sun-chariot; one is for the illumination purposes (nights and days) and the other is for apparent revolution of the Sun round the orbit, to furnish the Year-Cycle (कालचक्र). See also V.62.2.

Nahusa yuga, the ages of mankind (*Wilson*); the human yuga, the human time-cycle, for the division of time in general, as morning, noon, night, season, and year.

5. Arusah vayah, the red birds (रक्त भास्वर गुणाः पक्षिणः—*Daya*); bright horses (अरुषाः सारोचमानाः वयः अश्वाः—*Sayana*).

Ghrna, घृणा, bright, scorchers (दीप्तिः—*Daya*; दीप्ताः—*Sayana*).

Atapah, of enemies, of the teasing ones (समन्तात्त्रतापकः—*Daya*;
घातापनाः शत्रूणां—*Sayana*).

6. See also I.116.8 and X.39.9.

8. **Madhuyuva**, the mixers of Soma juices etc. (मधुरस्य सोमादि-
मिश्रयितारो—*Sayana*; यो मधूनि यावय यत तस्तो—*Daya*).

Hymn-74

1. **Kusthab**, कूष्ठः, the one, resting on the earth (यः को पृथिव्यां
विष्ठति—*Daya*; derived from *ku*, the earth); the singular used for the
plural; or *ku* may be the same as *kva*, क्व, meaning *where*; where are
you two abiding?

2. **Nadinam**, of rivers; of the supplicants, of the praises (रः
स्तोता वां युवयोः नदीनां स्तुतीनाम्—*Sayana*).

4. **Pauram**, citizen (पुरिभवं मनुष्यं—*Daya*); cloud (पीरेण वृष्टयर्थं
प्रार्थ्यमानत्वेन सम्बन्धात् शेषोऽपि पीरः from its being solicited by the Ṛsi for the
fall of rain—*Sayana*).

Paura, a vocative, O Asvins, O twin-divines (हे पीर ! इदमश्विनोः
सम्बोधनम् । पीरेण स्वल्पत्वेन सम्बन्धात् अश्विनावपि पीरो ।—Asvins are also called
Pauras, because they are in relation with *Paura* (which is also the
name of a Ṛsi—*Sayana*) as the author of the hymn.

Pauraya, to me the Ṛsi of this name (तोराय ऋषये मह्यम्); the
city-seers.

Ud-prutam, fully loaded with water (उदकयुक्तम्—*Daya*).

Simham iva druhaspade, as heroes hurl down a lion by their
strength out of a place of difficult access (i.e. out of a thicket, द्रुहः द्रोहस्य
पदे स्थानेऽरण्यदेशे सिंहमिव गर्जनं प्रवतं सिंहं यथा वतात्—*Sayana*; सिंहवत् द्रुहः शतो पदे
प्राप्तव्ये—*Daya*).

5. **Cyavanat**, च्यवानात्, from being worn out, from a change
(गमनात्—*Daya*).

Jujurusah, decripit, worn out by age.

9. **Vibhih**, with the help of birds (पक्षिभिः सह—*Daya.*); by speedy horses (गन्तुमिरश्वैः—*Sayana*).

Hymn-75

For verse 7, see Nir. III.20.

1. **Madhvi mama srutam havam**, O lovers of sweetness, hear my invocation; masters of mystic lore, hear my invocation (*Wilson*); मधुविद्यावेदितारो ममाह्वानं शृणुतम्—*Sayana*). This is the burthen of the verses of this entire hymn.

2. **Dasras**, the destroyer of enemies; the dispeller of pain (दुःखनिवारको—*Daya.*).

Hiranya-varṭtani, possessors of gold or golden chariots; shining like gold (यो हिरण्यं ज्योतिः सुवर्णं वा वर्तयस्ती—*Daya.*).

4. **Kakuhah**, great, distinguished (महान्—*Daya.* and *Sayana*).

Mṛgah, the purifier (यो माष्टि सः—*Daya.*); searcher (मृगयिता—*Sayana*); devoted (*Wilson*).

Vapusah (वापुः), embodied (वपुषि भवः—*Daya.*; वपुष्मान् यज्ञमानः—*Sayana.*; perhaps, the sacrificer).

Prksah, food (Nigh. II.7; घन्नं हविः—*Sayana*).

5. **Cyavanam**, अ्यवानम्, to the inquiring one; to the inquisitive (sage) (पृच्छन्तम्—*Daya.*; name of a worn out sage—*Sayana*).

For Cyavana, अ्यवन, see II.12.4; 21.3; VI.18.2; VIII.33.6; 96.4; X.69.5; 6.

For अ्यवान, see I.116.10; 117.13; 118.6; V.74.5; 75.5; VI.62.7; VII.71.5; 68.6; 71.5; X.39.4; 59.1; 61.2; 115.6.

Cyavana (अ्यवन) word means a seer, a *ṛṣi*, since he is the collector of hymns (अ्यवन ऋषिर्भवति । अ्यवयिता स्तोमानाम्). In several Vedic passages it occurs as अ्यवान (अ्यवानमित्यपस्य निगमा भवन्ति, Nir. IV.19; X.39.4).

7. *Tirah cit arya-ya pari vartih yatam adabhya*. This has been quoted by the Nirukta (III.20).

Tiras (तिरस्) and *satas* (सतस्) are synonyms of attained (प्राप्तस्व). *Tiras*, i.e. it has crossed over, from √त्. *Sadas*, it is moved together; from √सु—O undeceived ones, come round quickly across the turn. For *Satas*, see VII.104.21.

8. *Avasyu*, the person who longs for protection (आत्मनोज्ज्वं रक्षणमिच्छुं कामयमानं वा—*Daya*.).

The earlier references for this word are I.14.5; 25.19; 101.1; 114.11; 131.3; II.6.6; 11.12; 13; 19.8; 21.5; III.33.5; 42.9; IV.16.11; 50.9; V.31.10.

9. *Rusat-pasuh*, the one who takes good care of an animal (पातितः पशुयेन सः—*Daya*. *Rusat*, रुशत्=animal, Nigh. IV.3); blazing animal; also blazing oblation—दीप्तपशुमान् प्रकाशित हविः—*Sayana*).

To *Sayana*, *pasu* is ray (पशवः किरणाः), and *rusat* is a beam of light (रुशद् रश्मिः).

Hymn-76

1. *Agnih*, fire or the sun; it lights up the face of dawns (आनाति अग्निः उपसं अनीकम्; *anjikam* may be face, (मुखम् or army संख्यम्—*Daya*.); the phrase may also mean—Agni, the face or beginning of the dawns, shines—*Wilson*).

Pipivansam, पीपिवांसम्, growing or evolving in the most proper way (सम्यग्बर्धमानम्—*Daya*.); one developed with all its members—पीपिवांसं स्वाङ्गैः परिवृढं or nourished with soma juice or with clarified butter—आप्यापितं वसती वरीभिः शरदूपं सोमरसम् । अथवा घृतादिना पीपिवांसम्—*Sayana*).

Gharma, the duties of a household life, which by themselves constitute the sacrifice (घर्मं गृहस्थाश्रमकृत्याख्यं यज्ञम्—*Daya*.). The word in the ritualistic period meant the vessel so called, or the Pravargya ceremony, at which it was used, being fed or nourished (पीपिवांसं) with butter and curds it contains.

3. The entire day is divided into several parts 1, 2, 3, 5 or 15. In this verse, the five divisions are enumerated (i) *pratah* (morning), (ii) *madhyandina* (midday), (iii) *udita suryasya* (afternoon, अपराह्न, the high sun), (iv) *diva* (day) and (v) *nakṭam* (night).

Hymn-77

For verse 2, see Nir. XII.5.

1. *Kavayah purva bhajah*, the ancient seers or sages of yore; one learned in the Vedic lore is Kavi (पूर्वभाजः पूर्वकालीनाः; कवयः अनुचाना ऋषयः; cf Ait. Br. II.38—ये वा अनुचानास्ते कवयः).

2. *Pratah yajadhvam, na sayam asti devaya ajutam*, worship at early dawn,—the evening is not for the gods. There is a text : “पूर्वाह्णो वै देवानाम्”, the forenoon verily is for the gods.

See Nir, XII.5. Offer sacrifice and impel the Asvins early morning; there is not an oblation offered to the gods in the evening; that is not enjoyed, another than us should sacrifice and give satisfaction. The earlier one sacrifices, the more he wins; i.e. he is the best winner. Their time is upto the rising of the sun; during the period, other deities are invoked.

The *Nirukta* gives the derivation of the word *usas* (उषस्) from √ वस्, meaning to desire. There is another derivation from √ वस् to shine; the *usas* belongs to the middle region (I.92.13).

Hymn-78

(For verse 8, see Nir. III.15).

1. *Nasatya*, another name or epithet of Asvins. See earlier references.

2. *Harinau*, two deers; *gaurau*, two wild animals (*Bos Goraeus*); *hansau*, two swans.

5. *Vanaspati*, Lord of forests.

Susyantiya-iva, सुषन्त्याऽइव, of a parturient female (प्रसवन्त्याः स्त्रिया इव —*Daya*, lady expecting to give birth to a child).

Sapta vadhri, sinful impulses of seven organs (five sense organs, mind and intellect) (इत सप्तेन्द्रियम्—*Daya*.; the one whose seven organs have been polluted). See also V.78.6; VIII.73.9 and X.39.9.

There is a fantastic story concocted in this connection and narrated by Sayana : The sons of the brothers of *Saptavadhri* being determined to prevent his having intercourse with his wife, shut him up every night in a cage or large basket, which they locked and sealed, letting him out in the morning : in this dilemma, the *Rsi* prayed to the Asvins, who came to his succour and enabled him to get out of his cage during the night, he returning to it at day-break. (In this verse, he addresses to Vanaspati, because the cage is of forest-wood, —the basket). Of course, this is an absurd story.

8. A line of this verse is quoted in Nir. III.15 (यथा वातो यथा वनं यथा समुद्र एतत्ति), in connection of यथा, yatha, as a particle, denoting similies (यथेति कर्मोपमा). This verse is recited at the time of delivery: O child, ten months old, दशमस्य, just as the wind, the forest and the ocean move freely without any difficulty, so come forth from the womb of the mother without injuring her. (*Durga* on the Nirukta).

See Yv. VIII.28 also.

Hymn-79

1. **Sujate asva-sunrte** (सुजाते अश्वसूनुते) is the burthen of all the verses of this hymn, meaning "nobly-born, and sincerely praised for the gift of vigour (bright-born, and praised sincerely for the gift of horses —*Wilson*).

Satya sravasi, in the seeker of truth (in hearer of truths, सत्यानां श्रवणे, सत्येऽन्ने वा = anna, food, Nigh. II.7; in the food, in the truth,—*Daya*.); the son of *Vayya* of this name (*Sayana*).

The term also occurs in the next two verses and nowhere else in the *Rgveda*. For *Satyasrutah*, सत्यस्रुतः, see V.57.8; 58.8; VI.49.6.

Vayya, वाय्य, the son of Vayya, the weaver of knowledge. See also verses 2 and 3 of this hymn; the word occurs nowhere else in the R̥gveda.

For वाय्य, see I.54.6; 112.6; II.3.6; II.13.12; IV.19.6; and IX.68.8. (तन्तु सद्गुणे सन्ताननीये विस्तारणीये सन्ततिरूपे, extension or weaving like thread, propagation etc.—*Daya*.).

Asva-scarste, sincerely praised for the gift of vigour (or horses) (अश्वार्था प्रिय सत्वात्मिका स्तुतिवाक् यस्याः सा, vocative;—*Sayana*); *asva* is a synonym of big, excessive, or large, महत्—Nigh. VI.1, and therefore, a lady whose speech is very much or excessively sweet, अश्वा महती सूनृता प्रिया वाय्यस्यास्तत्सम्बुद्धौ—*Daya*).

8. **Gomatih**, the possessor of cows (गोभिः उपेतानि—*Sayana*; गावो विद्यन्ते यासु ताः—*Daya*.).

Hymn-80

1. **Dyutat-yamanam**, illumination of parameters (*ayama*) of space and time; illuminator of *prahara*, the unit of time—*Daya*.).

Aruna-psum, red-tinted in appearance (अरुण रूपां; प्सु, *psu* = form रूप—Nigh. III.7).

Hymn-81

For verse 2, See Nir. XII.13.

1. **Viprah**, the wise; here the yogins (the one engaged in the practice of Yoga, the science of communion with the Supreme).

Viprasya, of the omnipresent Lord (वि=विशेषण, प्र=प्राप्ति व्याप्नोति तस्य—*Daya*.).

Bṛhatah, of the great.

Vipascītah, of the omniscient Lord (अनन्तविद्यस्य—*Daya*.; स्तुत्यस्य ज्ञानवतो वा सवितुः अनुगमेति—*Sayana*).

See also Yv. V.14.

2. **Visva rupani prati muncate**, comprehends all forms (all the luminary bodies—सूर्यादिनि) in himself; he binds or holds in himself (विश्वा सर्वाणि रूपाणि आत्मनि प्रतिमुञ्चते बध्नाति धारयति—*Sayana*). See also Yv. XII.3.

“The wise one puts on all forms, He has generated bliss for the biped and quadruped. Noble Savitṛ has looked on heaven. He shines bright after the departure of dawn”.—The discreet one (the prudent) puts on all the brilliant lights. Wise (कवि, *kavi*) is so called because his presence is desired (derived from √ कम्) or the word is derived from √ कृ, to praise. He generates bliss for bipeds and quadrupeds (कविः मेघादी; कविः क्रान्तदर्शनो भवति, कवतेर्वा—*Nir.* XII.13).

3. See Yv. XI.6.

Parthivani, the scenes in the midspace (पृथिवी = midspace or *antariksa*, *Nigh.* I.3).

Etasah, एतसाः, widely present (सर्वत्रव्याप्त—*Daya.*).

Rajansi, रजांसि, worlds; regions. He by his greatness has measured out the midspace or heavenly regions (विममे measures; also specially creates, विशेषेण मिमीते विधत्ते—*Daya.*).

4. *Sayana* distinguishes between the words *Savitṛ* and *Surya*; *Savitṛ* is specially the Sun before rising; *Surya* is the Sun in general (also सवितः सकलजगदुत्पादकः, the creator of the world, and hence *Savitṛ*—*Daya.*).

In fact, *Mitra*, *Surya*, *Savitṛ* and *Pusan* are all one—the names of the Supreme Creator, and of the sun too, representing different functions or attributes.

Hymn-82

1. This is known as the anustup *Savitri*, as sacred as the well-reputed *Gayatri* (तत्सवितुर्वरेण्यं • III.62.10), the *Savitri* in the *Gayatri* metre; see *Bṛhad.* up. V.14.5.

Bhojanam, normally food, but here anything enjoyable, (पालनं भोक्तव्यं वा—*Daya.*; भोग्यं घनं—*Sayana*).

Turam, all that is destructive of evils, or evil foes (तुरं प्रविद्यादि क्षोषनाशकं सप्तम्यन्—*Daya*).

3. **Savita bhagah**, that Savita is Bhaga, or *bhage* is *bhajaniye*, भजनीय, to be worshipped (सविता प्रसवकर्त्ता, भगः ऐश्वर्यवान्—, the creator and the possessor of fame and glory—*Daya*).

4. **Duh-Svapnyam**, the evil dreams, or the pain caused by the evil dreams, or evils arising out of dreams (दुष्टेषु स्वप्नेषु भवं दुःखम्—*Daya*).

5. **Bhadram**, all that is good and conducive, as opposed to *durita*, the pain, vice, or evil. *Bhadram* also includes progeny, cattle, dwelling etc. (प्रजा वै भद्रं, पशवो भद्रं, गृहं भद्रमिति—*Wilson, Sayana*).

7. **Visvadevam**, all the gods, representative of all the noble qualities, attributes and actions (see I.164.46, इन्द्रं मित्रं वरुणमग्निमाहुः). Compare the verse with the lines of the Asvalayana Srauta Sutra—आ विश्वदेवं सत्यति वाममद्य सवितः (II.16); आ विश्वदेवं सत्यति य इमा विश्वानि जातानि (IV.3); and आ विश्वदेवं सत्यति न प्रमिये सवितुर्देवस्य तत् (IV.11).

Hymn-83

For verse 2, see Nir. X.II.

The deity of this hymn is *Parjanya*; in normal usage, *parjanya* means cloud; in glossary given by the Nirukta (I.10), it is not included amongst the 30 synonyms of cloud or *megha*.

Parjanya causes the clouds to rain; it is thus the functional deity, as if, behind the clouds; the non-bursting *cloud* in an asura, or *vrtra*, since it covers the sun, it causes darkness; it is Nescience. But *Parjanya* causes the clouds to discharge their rain; in *Parjanya* is another name of Indra too. For the etymology of the word, see Nir. X.10. (Our note on verse 2).

2. **Parjanya**, the discharging force behind the clouds, is derived from the verb तृप् (✓ तृप्) to be satisfied; by reversing the first and the last letters: one who gives satisfaction and is favourable to men (तृप् + janyah = prt + janyah, तृप् + जन्त्यः = पृत् + जन्त्यः = parj + janyah = par + janyah; = पर्ज + जन्त्यः = पर् + जन्त्यः); or he is so called because he is the best conquerer (परः + जिन्); or he is the best

progenitor (परः + जन्) or he is the bestower of juices; (प्र + √ जृष्) —Nir. X.10.

He strikes down the trees and he strikes down the demons (wicked). All beings are afraid of this great slaughter. Great indeed is his slaughter. Even the innocent, being afraid, run away from him whose function is to rain, when Parjanya thundering strikes the evil-doers i.e. men who commit sinful acts. (Nir. X.11).

3. **Dutaṇ**, दूतान्, messenger; also warriors (मयान्—*Sayana*).

6. **Vṛsno asvasya**, of the rainy charger (horse); or of the pervading rain (वृषस्य = वदःपकस्य, of the pervader); and *asva* is also a synonym of *great* (Nigh. III.3); of the large raining cloud (वर्षकस्य महतः —*Daya*).

9. **Hansi duskṛtaḥ**, destroys the wicked; here *wicked* stands for the clouds not yielding their water.

Hymn-84

Prṛthivī is the subject of this hymn. Normally, the word means the earth, but so often, it has the double meaning, when it includes the midspace or antariksa also (पृथिवी = अन्तरिक्ष—Nigh. I.3).

1. **Parvatanam**, of clouds (पर्वतानां मेघानाम्—*Daya*).

Bat, बत, synonym of truth (Nigh. III.10).

Khidram, rending tool.

Khidram bibharsi, you sustain the fracture or opening of the clouds (*Wilson*).

Prṛthivī, in the midspace.

Bhumim, earth.

3. **Dṛḥa**, दृढा, solid, rigid.

Ksmaya, by earth, by rock, rocky.

Hymn-85

For verses 3 and 6, see Nir. X.4 and VI.13 respectively.

2. **Apsu agnim**, - has placed fire in waters (water is supposed to be the source of Agni, *apam napat* is *Agni*, the grand child of water—water helps in the growth of plant, and plant or wood, by attrition furnishes fire, or it may mean lightning in rains or submarine fire. (cf. Yv. IV.31, *viksu agnim* he placed in people or human beings, the digestive fire); also fire in the firmament (मप्सु आकाशप्रदेशेऽग्निं पावकम्—*Daya*).

Somam adrau, *Soma* plant in the mountains; the sap in clouds (सोमं रसं घट्टो मेघे—*Daya*).

3. **Kabandham**, cloud (मेघम्—*Daya*); water (Nigh. I.12).

Antariksam, water (जलम्—*Daya*).

Varuna sent forth the cloud, whose door opens downwards (नीचीन वारम्). A cloud, कबन्धं, (*Kabandham*) is so called because *Kavanam*, which means water, is deposited into it. Water is called *Kabandham* also—the verb √ बन्ध् is used to denote an unfixed state—it is comfortable and unrestrained. He creates heaven, earth and the intermediate space (प्र सत्सर्वं रोदसी घन्तरिक्षम्); with that greatness, the king of the entire universe moistens earth as rain does barley (तेन सर्वस्य भुवनस्य राजा यथं न वृष्टिर्व्युनक्ति भूमिम्)—Nir. X.4.

4. **Abhrena**, by cloud (मघ्नम् = cloud, Nigh. I.10).

Parvatasah, clouds (Nigh. I.10).

5. **Mahi**, reverential speech (पूज्यां वाणीम्—*Daya*; महो = वाद् Nigh. I.11).

Mame, ममे, metes, measures; also creates (सृजति—*Daya*).

Mayam, skill, accomplishment (प्रज्ञाम्, Nigh. III.9).

See Nir. VI.13.—in connection with the word पुरन्धिम् (VII.39.4), meaning very wise, used for Varuna, who is praised with regard to his intelligence (तं प्रज्ञया स्तोति); the word *mayam* is used for this intelligence in इमाम् नु कवितमस्य मायाम् ।

Prthivim, midspace.

Manena, by a measure (by honour, सत्कारेण—*Daya.*).

6. *Avanayah*, rivers (Nigh. 1.13).

Enih, एनीः, running like she-deers (एन्यः मृगस्त्रिय एव धावन्त्यः—*Daya.*); lucid, watershedding (एन्यः शुभ्राः गमनशीला वा—*Sayana.*).

7. *Aryamyam*, benefactor, one amongst the people of justice (अयं न तु न्यायाधीशेषु भवम्—*Daya.*); to Sayana *Aryamyam* and *Mitryam* are the same as *Aryaman* and *Mitra* with the final *ya* (यत्) being pleonastic; *aryamayam* meaning giver (दातृ) or spiritual preceptor (गुरु).

(अयंभ्यम्—अयंमेवायंभ्यः । स्वायिको यत् । अतैरिदं रूपम् । प्रदातामित्ययं । अथवा ईरणात् भवनात् च शास्तीत्ययंमा गुरुः । तम्—*Sayana.*)

Mitryam, the attacked (अनुरक्तम्); the word *Mitra* is derived thus : मिमिदा स्नेहने—इत्यस्मात् मित्रम् । स्वायिको यत्—*Sayana.*

The word *Mitra* is also so called because he preserves (ब्रामहे) from destruction (प्र-नी-ति), or because he runs (द्रवति), measuring things together (√ मि), or the word is derived from the causal of √ मिद्, to be fat (Nir. X.21).

Varunaranam, वरुणारणम् = वरुण + अरणम्; *aranam* means one not having a sound or speech (अरणं वा अशब्दमित्ययं; or one not giving i.e. niggardly—अथवा अरणमादातारं वा नित्यं निरन्तरम्—*Sayana.*); a dumb man—*Wilson.* Dayananda translates अरणं as water (उदकम्, the same perhaps as अर्णः Nigh. 1.12). '

Hymn-86

Indragni = *Indra* (Lord of celestial fire i.e. lightning) + *Agni* (Lord of terrestrial fire) = The twin-Lord of celestial and terrestrial fires.

1. **Trita**, the sage or seer of threefold excellences (in attributes, गुण, in accomplishments, कर्म and in temperament, स्वभाव). *Trita* is also fire in the three regions. In mythology, the name of a *Rsi* who refutes controversial arguments.

Driha, strongly guarded.

Dyumna, treasures (दुम्नं धनं—Nigh. II.10).

2. **Panca carsanīh**, पञ्च चरणीः, five classes of people (the same as *pancajanya*, पाञ्चजन्यः; see I.100.12; 117.3; III.53.16; V.32.11; VIII.63.7; IX.66.20); or five vital breaths (चरणीः प्राणान् मनुष्यान् वा—*Daya*.).

5. **Ansa-iva**, अंसाद्भव, like the shining ones (like the parts, भागनिव—*Daya*.); *Ansa* is also the name of one of the twelve *Adityas*; here the word is put in dual, and therefore, may mean any two of these *Adityas*.

6. **Aha-vi**, or **Ahavi** (अहावि or अहावि). *Dayananda* prefers the *pada-patha* (पद-पाठ), as अहा + वि where अहा, *aha* means days (अहानि); *Sayana* considers *ahavi* as one term meaning, has been offered; (हव्यं हविः अहावि परित्यक्तमासीत्).

In this verse, we have the repetition in गृणत्तु दिक्षतम् for the sake of respect पुनरुक्ति मादरसर्पा—*Sayana*.

Hymn-87

In this hymn, the word *Evayamarut* (एवयामरुत) remains unaltered in its case termination. This word occurs only in this hymn and nowhere else in the *Rgveda*. The word *marut* means a mortal, the *dexterous mortal* is the *evayamarut*, a person which is skilful, active, efficient and experienced (*Sturmvoll Marut*, Benfey), *Sayana* regards *Evayamarut* as a *Rsi* or seer, or *muni* of the race of *Atri*.

1. **Visnave**, for the one pervading (व्याप्ताय—*Sayana*; व्यापकाय—*Daya*.); to *Visnu*.

Marutvat is usually the designation of *Indra*; for the *Indra*, for the group in which a man (a mortal) is honoured and respected (अशंसिता मनुष्या परिमैस्तस्मै).

9. **Araksa**, unprotected (not worthy of protection, धरलणीयं—*Daya*.; undeterred by *Raksasas* (*Wilson*).

Nidah, the reviler; wicked impulse.

Durdharttarah, cruel, fierce, or those who strike down without compassion; the intolerant (दुःखेन घर्त्तरः—*Daya*.; दुर्धराः—*Sayana*).